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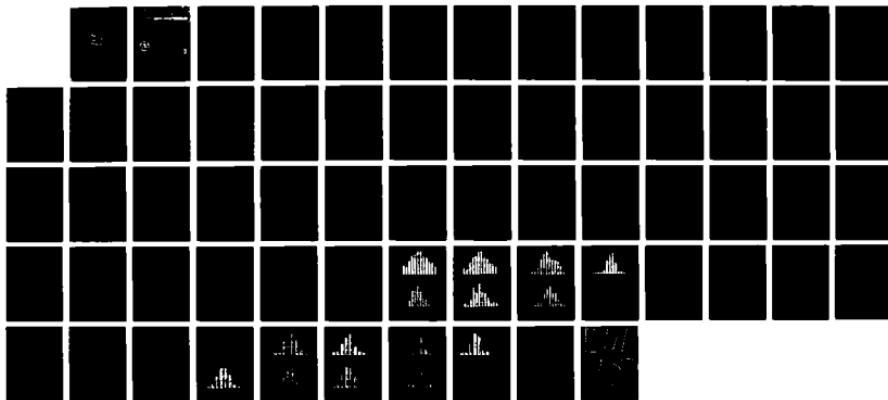
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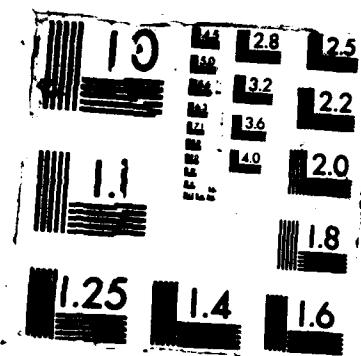
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PREFACE

This report was prepared for ASD/WE under USAFETAC Project Number 60706 to satisfy a request by ASD/ENSSA for a three-dimensional representation of cloud dimensions for use in support of the Infrared Tracking System. Using USAFETAC's surface and upper-air databases, cumulus clouds at Essen and Hannover, West Germany, and at New Orleans, Louisiana, were studied to produce statistical values for the specific dimensions of maximum, minimum, and mean cloud base height, cloud top height, and cloud amount. Frequency of occurrence statistics were also produced. Most of the data was derived from surface observations only and is therefore as accurate as the surface observations themselves. Cloud top information was obtained from a one-dimensional cumulus cloud model; because of the inherent limitations of the model, the cloud top statistics so obtained should be used with caution, and as a "first guess" only. Detailed technical limitations on the statistics given in the appendices, and reasons therefore, are described in the report.

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INTRODUCTION

In the past, considerable effort has been given to quantifying certain cloud dimensions such as height and width. Examples are works by Plank (1969), Lopez (1977), and Warner and Grumm (1984). Methods used in the study of cloud dimensions have included analyses of aircraft and satellite stereographic photos, use of radar echo data, and numerical simulation of growing clouds. This kind of research is important from a military perspective because of the effects clouds can have on remote sensing devices such as the Infrared Search and Tracking System.

With this in mind, USAFETAC developed a new and simple method to quantify selected cumulus cloud dimensions. Using a 10-year sample from the USAFETAC surface and upper-air databases, statistics for minimum, maximum, mean cloud base height, cloud top height, and cloud cover amount were produced for three locations: Essen and Hannover, West Germany, and New Orleans, Louisiana. Statistics were compiled for three different cumulus cloud types (*cumulus humulis/fractus*, *cumulus mediocris/congestus*, and *cumulonimbus*) in two categories: monthly, and hourly by season. The frequency and percent frequency occurrence of cumulus cloud types were also calculated. Most statistics were produced from surface observations, but cloud top statistics were obtained from a one-dimensional cumulus cloud model that uses both surface and upper-air data.

The intent of this project report, in addition to providing the statistical summaries produced (see Appendix A) is to document the methods used to obtain the statistics and discuss their limitations. Graphic illustrations of selected cloud dimensions appear as figures in Appendix B.

DATASETS USED

<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>LAT</u>	<u>LON</u>	<u>TYPE OF REPORT</u>	<u>PERIOD OF RECORD</u>
New Orleans	30.00N	90.15W	Airways	1973 - 1983
Essen	51.24N	6.59E	Synoptic	1973 - 1983
Hannover	52.27N	9.44E	Synoptic	1973 - 1983

STATISTICS FROM SURFACE OBSERVATIONS

Surface Observation Elements Used; Description of Statistics.

Statistics obtained from 6-hourly airways and 3-hourly synoptic surface observations include the minimum, maximum, and mean cumulus cloud base height and sky cover amount; the frequency distribution of cloud base height and sky cover amount; and the frequency and percent frequency occurrence of cumulus clouds by type. Input elements of cloud type, cloud base height, and cloud cover amount were taken directly from 10 years of surface observations. After extracting these elements, the minimums, maximums, means, frequencies, and percent frequencies were determined.

These statistics were derived for three types of cumulus clouds by month and by season/hour. Cumulus cloud types are defined in Federal Meteorological Handbook 1B (FMH-1B) as:

Cumulus humulis/fractus (CH), Low Cloud (CL = 1)

Cumulus mediocris/congestus (CC), CL = 2

Cumulonimbus (CB); CL = 3 or 9.

Seasons are defined as:

Winter: December through February

Spring: March through May

Summer: June through August

Fall: September through November.

All times are Greenwich Mean Time (GMT). Cloud base heights are meters above ground level (AGL). Sky cover amounts are in eighths. The number of observations (#OBS) is the total number of times a particular cloud type was reported during the specified period (month or season/hour). The percent frequency (%FREQ) is the frequency divided by the total surface observations available during the specified time period (e.g., for New Orleans in January, CH occurred 22 times out of a total of 1,466 surface observations, or 1.5% of the time).

Limitations.

There is always some degree of uncertainty in determining cloud base height and sky cover amount from the surface. Ceilometers make cloud base height measurements relatively accurate, but sky cover amount estimation is subjective.

Additional uncertainty is added when the cloud base height is encoded into USAFETAC's database. Because height observations are encoded for a particular range of heights (bins) rather than for a specific height, some accuracy is lost. Synoptic observation accuracy is better than airways because its bin resolution is 30 meters as opposed to 50 to 500 meters for airways. This difference in resolution can be seen when comparing the frequency distribution of cloud base heights for an airways station to the frequency distribution for a synoptic station. The encoding of cloud base heights in bins also creates an artificial representation of maximum and minimum values. For example, a maximum cloud base value may be given as 1750 m, but the actual value could fall anywhere in the bin represented by 1750 m.

The "percent frequency of occurrence" statistic is limited by the possibility that no continuous observation exists or is possible at a given location. If a large enough data set is available at regular intervals, however, inferences can be made as to the percent frequency occurrence of cloud types. Since the data used in this project is fairly complete (i.e., there were only a small number of missing observations), this statistic should closely approximate the percent of time cumulus clouds are actually present.

Statistics are also affected by reporting procedures and local reporting biases. As can be seen from the data, clouds are reported every 6 hours in airways code and every 3 hours in synoptic. This, especially with airways data, does not give us the resolution in time that we would like for examining diurnal changes.

Finally, there are reporting biases in the data. Although CH is not prevalent in Germany, the fact that it does not show up at all in this dataset is questionable. Its absence is most likely due to reporting bias on the part of German observers. When it does occur, CH is probably reported as stratocumulus (CL = 4 or 5).

STATISTICS FROM A CUMULUS CONVECTION MODEL

Procedure.

To obtain statistics on cloud tops, a numerical model of cumulus convection developed by Nordquist and Johnson (1970) was modified to use the USAFETAC surface and upper-air databases. In its original form, the model used upper-air data only. It was modified here to read surface data so that cloud top calculations would occur only when cumulus clouds were being reported. Surface temperature and dewpoint observations were also incorporated into the calculations. A brief discussion on how the model produces cloud top values follows.

The model first reads a surface observation. If a cumulus cloud is reported (CL = 1, 2, 3, or 9), the appropriate upper-air data is read. The upper-air data includes the pressure, height, temperature, and dewpoint at each reported level. To better represent the moisture available in the boundary layer at the time of convection, the dewpoint from the surface observation that contains the cloud report is used to update the surface dewpoint of the sounding.

The upper-air data is then interpolated at 50-meter height increments from the surface to the top of the sounding, usually to the tropopause level. This interpolation creates a pressure, height, temperature, and dewpoint value for each 50-meter level. Mixing ratios are then calculated at each level.

Next, the observed surface temperature at the time of cumulus convection replaces the rawinsonde surface temperature of the interpolated sounding. This is the convective temperature. The sounding is then adjusted dry adiabatically in the lower layers to account for the warming of the surface temperature.

The lifting condensation level (LCL) is now calculated using an algebraic approximation based on the observed surface pressure, temperature, and dewpoint. If a parcel of air being lifted dry adiabatically is positively buoyant at this LCL, this level is assumed to be the cloud base. If the parcel is not positively buoyant, the LCL is recalculated using the next level of incremented data. This process is repeated until a valid cloud base is found, or until the level being lifted is more than 1 km above the surface. If a cloud base is not obtained, calculations on that particular set of observations cease and the program processes a new set of observations.

If a valid cloud base is determined, the parcel is given an initial updraft velocity and radius. These are assigned based on the type of cloud reported. If the cloud type was cumulus humulis/fractus, an updraft velocity of 2 m/s and an updraft radius of .35 km are used. For cumulus mediocris/congestus, values of 7 m/s and .5 km are entered. Cumulonimbus has initial values of 15 m/s and .75 km. These updraft radius values are based on one-half the observed visual radii as reported by Allen, Malick, and Serebreny (1984). Nordquist and Johnson suggested using one-half the visible cloud radius as a valid updraft radius. Initial updraft velocities were obtained from Scorer and Wexler (1967), "Cloud Studies in Colour."

Having given the model an initial updraft velocity and radius, an updraft velocity and radius are next calculated at subsequent data levels based on the buoyancy of the cloud parcel using a calculated cloud temperature, mixing ratio, liquid water content, and entrainment rate. This process continues until the updraft velocity goes to zero. At this point it is assumed that the cloud top has been reached.

The input of surface and upper-air data and the calculating of cloud top values continue until all data is processed. In addition to cloud top values, vertical cloud thickness is also determined. This is used as a check on cumulonimbus cloud top values. If a cumulonimbus is found to be less than 2 km thick the calculation is not used. All other cloud top calculations are retained.

Description of Statistics.

Statistics calculated for the cloud top dataset include mean, maximum, and minimum values. The frequency distribution of cloud top values are also displayed for the three types of cumulus clouds, by month and diurnally by season. Cloud types and seasons are defined as before. Mean, maximum, and minimum values are in meters (AGL), while frequency distribution bins are in kilometers. All times are GMT. The frequency distribution was displayed to show how cloud top values are distributed across the range of values and should not be interpreted as information on how often a certain cloud type occurs.

Limitations.

Error is introduced into cloud top calculations in various ways. Because this is a steady state, one-dimensional model, the upper-air data, except in the lower layers, does not change with time. Advection changes in moisture and temperature aloft are not accounted for. Therefore, the atmospheric profile used to make the cloud top calculation may not be representative of the actual atmospheric profile at the time of cumulus convection.

A second source of error is with the entrainment hypothesis. This model uses the $1/R$ entrainment hypothesis which simply states that the amount of entrainment is inversely proportional to the radius of the cloud. Because it is impossible to get an accurate initial radius for each cumulus cloud observed, the entrainment rate may not be totally representative. In addition to the uncertainty created by an inaccurate cloud radius, it has been shown that this entrainment hypothesis is not always valid, especially with strong vertical shear. The entrainment rate plays an important role in cloud growth

(the greater the entrainment, the greater the reduction in buoyancy); if entrainment rate is inaccurate, cloud top values will also be inaccurate.

Another uncertainty inherent in the model lies in the assumption that the pressure distribution at any point within the cloud is exactly equal to the hydrostatic environmental pressure at the same level. It has been shown, however, that there is a substantial pressure perturbation within the cloud. This perturbation pressure field acts to suppress the growth of clouds due to mixing with the environment; without its inclusion in this one-dimensional model, cloud top calculations are probably larger than actually observed.

The last potential error source is in the data itself. As mentioned earlier, most upper-air datasets end at the tropopause. With this model, all calculations cease at the top of the dataset whether the actual cloud top has been reached or not. Cumulonimbus clouds, therefore, which have been known to penetrate 3-4 km into the stratosphere, may have been truncated below their actual heights.

As can be seen from this discussion, cloud top calculations are meant to be approximate values only. To quote Nordquist and Johnson, "the basic model provides a 'ball park' estimate of the gross characteristics of isolated cumulus clouds." These limitations should always be considered when using such cloud top statistics.

RESULTS

Results From Surface Observations.

Statistics obtained from elements extracted directly from surface observations appear reasonable. As expected, cumulus clouds at all three locations have a maximum frequency of occurrence during summer and minimum during winter. Because of the frequency with which observations are taken (every 6 hours for airways and every 3 hours for synoptic) we were not able to be as precise as we would like when determining the diurnal trend for cumulus activity. For example, although New Orleans statistics (based on airways) show an 1800Z maximum, the actual maximum could be as early as 1500Z or as late as 2100Z. Since 3-hourly synoptic observations provide us with better time resolution, we were able to determine diurnal variations for the German stations more precisely.

The results of cloud base statistics can only be as accurate as the surface observations themselves. The surface observations used in this study seem reasonable. To summarize cloud base statistics: At New Orleans the mean cloud base of CH has a constant value of 800 meters through the year. CC goes from an average of 700 meters in winter to 1,000 meters in summer. Transition during spring and fall is gradual. CB cloud bases are, on average, 500 meters in winter and 800 meters in summer. There are very sharp transitions between these two values in early spring and late fall. In Germany, average cloud bases for both reported cumulus clouds (CCs and CBs), vary from about 500 meters in winter to 800 meters in summer. There is a gradual transition between these values during spring and fall.

As expected, the diurnal trend for cloud bases shows them to be generally higher during daytime heating and lower during nighttime cooling. The maximum and minimum values for cloud bases are somewhat more suspect because of the binning of values. For example, although statistics for Essen show that CC has a maximum cloud base of 1,800 meters from March to September, the actual maximum cloud base probably shows more variation during this period.

Statistics for cloud cover, as was the case with cloud bases, are only as good as the subjective abilities of the observer to determine cloud cover. The statistics seem reasonable, with cumulus coverage usually averaging two to three eighths and the general diurnal trend showing greater coverage during the day than at night. Nighttime values should be used with caution, however, because of the increased difficulty in evaluating cloud cover in darkness.

In general, the use of surface observations to determine statistics for cumulus cloud frequency, as well as for maximum, minimum, and mean cloud base and cloud cover, is valid. The limitations previously described do affect the dataset, but not so much as to make it unrepresentative.

Results From a Cumulus Convective Model.

The results produced by the cumulus cloud model must be used with care because we are deriving the cloud top values numerically and not observing actual cloud tops from satellite or aircraft photos. Although cloud top values produced by the model seem generally reasonable, we have no way of verifying them on an individual basis. In some cases we were able to show significant differences when comparing our overall results with the results of other studies.

Examining our results, we see that CB at New Orleans generally has higher tops than CC (which has higher tops than CH), but there are exceptions. In February the mean value of CB tops is less than the value for CC. This is because only one CB top was calculated during that month. The reasons for that could include the lack of upper-air data when CBs were reported or the inability of the model to calculate a cloud top because of an inversion. (Note: If there is an inversion in the lower levels of the atmosphere, calculations could be stopped at the level of the inversion and this point would be taken as the cloud top. Because CBs less than 2 km thick are discarded from the dataset, these values are often not retained.)

Computed CB cloud tops are highly susceptible to the error of data truncation. Because cloud tops can only go as high as the upper-air reports, values are often produced that are probably less than what actually occurred. At New Orleans, for example, the maximum CB cloud top calculated was 13,905 m. Although this value appears to be realistic, the actual maximum cloud top for this location could have been different. By examining radar echo data, Kantor et. al. found that CBs have gone as high as 20 km at New Orleans. The conclusion is that maximum tops for CBs at all three study locations are probably invalid in most cases.

The entrainment hypothesis used in the model also creates problems when calculating CB tops. This hypothesis was meant to be used for small, isolated cumulus clouds in an unsheared or weakly sheared environment (i.e., CH or smaller CC). If the pressure perturbation term is included in the model (the

model used in this study did not include the pressure perturbation term), then this entrainment hypothesis could be applied to larger CC. Because thunderstorms often occur in a highly sheared environment, using this entrainment scheme to calculate CB tops is at best a simple attempt to obtain an approximate cloud top value or, at worst, is totally invalid. As stated earlier, CB growth was stopped prematurely (as in the New Orleans example) producing erroneous results. Improper application of the entrainment hypothesis would cause this.

In summary, cloud top values produced for CH and CC should be marginally accurate because these were the types of cumulus that the original model (Nordquist and Johnson) was developed to simulate. CB cloud tops so computed, however, should be considered suspect.

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APPENDIX A
Cloud Dimension Statistical Tables

TABLE 4-1. PRESSURE: MEASUREMENTS ON SURFACE.

CLUE 9: CLOUDS ARE IN METERS.
CLUE 10: CONGESTUS FIGHTS ARE IN METERS.

1936-1940: TALENTS AND MUSICALS ARE DOMINANT.

SEASONS	NAME	MEAN HEIGHTS
WINTER	DEC. + JAN. FEES	15.00
SPRING	MAR. APR. MAY	14.00
SUMMER	JUN. JUL. AUG.	13.00
FALL	SEPT. OCT. NOV.	12.00
SEASONS	NAME	MEAN HEIGHTS
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4	SEPTEMBER	11.00
5	DECEMBER	10.00

4-3. **EXERCISE:** **DECODE** AND **RECODE** THE **DATA** BY **NAME**.

THESE TYPES-
-1 = ENTHUSIASTIC
-2 = ENTHUSIASTIC/CONGESTUS
-3 = ENTHUSIASTIC/CONGESTUS
SAY THESE STATISTICS ARE IN EIGHTHS.

FALL	35	2.5	7	1	92	21	18	15	5	1	0	139	14.2
FALL	35	2.5	7	1	126	92	93	16	15	25	7	325	33.4
FALL	39	2.6	7	1	123	123	111	109	32	54	3	595	59.7
FALL	12	3.2	7	1	137	125	122	66	15	14	11	572	58.2
FALL	15	2.9	7	1	196	63	53	25	18	7	2	273	27.7
FALL	18	2.3	6	1	15	23	17	8	2	2	2	57	6.8
FALL	21	2.5	6	1	15	16	15	5	4	4	3	52	5.1
FALL	23	2.6	7	1	16	15	12	5	0	1	2	3	0.3
FALL	23	6.3	7	5	0	9	0	0	1	0	0	0	0
FALL	33	3.7	5	2	3	1	1	0	0	1	1	3	7.3
FALL	39	2.3	4	1	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	3	3.3
FALL	42	12	2.3	5	1	3	2	3	1	0	0	2	0.9
FALL	43	15	2.1	6	1	12	3	3	2	0	2	2	2.9
FALL	48	19	2.5	7	1	5	7	4	3	1	1	22	2.0
FALL	52	21	3.3	6	1	2	3	2	1	1	1	6	0.6
FALL	53	23	2.3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0.1

KEY:
SEASONS-

WINTER = DEC. - JAN. - FEB.
SPRING = MAR. - APR. - MAY
SUMMER = JUN. - JUL. - AUG.
FALL = SEP. - OCT. - NOV.

CLIMATE -
1. = TROPICAL
2. = SUBTROPICAL
3. = MEDITERRANEAN
4. = SEMI-ARID
5. = SEMI-HUMID

SKY COVER STATISTICS ARE IN EIGHTHHS.
FILE IS IN 24 LINES.

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NAME		TYPE		MEAN (u)		MAX (u)		MIN (u)		FREQUENCY		DISTR (BIN) (u)	
1	1667.5	CC	CC	1667.5	1667.5	1667.5	1667.5	1667.5	1667.5	0	0	0	0
2	3503.0	CC	CC	3503.0	3503.0	3503.0	3503.0	3503.0	3503.0	0	0	0	0
3	1651.5	CC	CC	1651.5	1651.5	1651.5	1651.5	1651.5	1651.5	0	0	0	0
4	2778.0	CC	CC	2778.0	2778.0	2778.0	2778.0	2778.0	2778.0	0	0	0	0
5	1975.5	CC	CC	1975.5	1975.5	1975.5	1975.5	1975.5	1975.5	0	0	0	0
6	3637.0	CC	CC	3637.0	3637.0	3637.0	3637.0	3637.0	3637.0	0	0	0	0
7	1094.5	CC	CC	1094.5	1094.5	1094.5	1094.5	1094.5	1094.5	0	0	0	0
8	4292.0	CC	CC	4292.0	4292.0	4292.0	4292.0	4292.0	4292.0	0	0	0	0
9	2552.2	CC	CC	2552.2	2552.2	2552.2	2552.2	2552.2	2552.2	0	0	0	0
10	4595.5	CC	CC	4595.5	4595.5	4595.5	4595.5	4595.5	4595.5	0	0	0	0
11	2531.1	CC	CC	2531.1	2531.1	2531.1	2531.1	2531.1	2531.1	0	0	0	0
12	5762.1	CC	CC	5762.1	5762.1	5762.1	5762.1	5762.1	5762.1	0	0	0	0
13	2533.0	CC	CC	2533.0	2533.0	2533.0	2533.0	2533.0	2533.0	0	0	0	0
14	4555.6	CC	CC	4555.6	4555.6	4555.6	4555.6	4555.6	4555.6	0	0	0	0
15	2522.7	CC	CC	2522.7	2522.7	2522.7	2522.7	2522.7	2522.7	0	0	0	0
16	6252.0	CC	CC	6252.0	6252.0	6252.0	6252.0	6252.0	6252.0	0	0	0	0
17	3582.0	CC	CC	3582.0	3582.0	3582.0	3582.0	3582.0	3582.0	0	0	0	0
18	4016.7	CC	CC	4016.7	4016.7	4016.7	4016.7	4016.7	4016.7	0	0	0	0
19	1936.0	CC	CC	1936.0	1936.0	1936.0	1936.0	1936.0	1936.0	0	0	0	0
20	2125.7	CC	CC	2125.7	2125.7	2125.7	2125.7	2125.7	2125.7	0	0	0	0
21	1633.0	CC	CC	1633.0	1633.0	1633.0	1633.0	1633.0	1633.0	0	0	0	0
22	2752.0	CC	CC	2752.0	2752.0	2752.0	2752.0	2752.0	2752.0	0	0	0	0
23	1225.5	CC	CC	1225.5	1225.5	1225.5	1225.5	1225.5	1225.5	0	0	0	0

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EREGENCY GUNS ARE IN KILOMETERS.

CLOUD TYPES -
 C^h = CUMULUS TENUIS
 CC = CUMULUS MEDICRIS/CONGESTUS
 Cu = CUMULONIMBUS
 YEAN, MAXIMUM, AND MINIMUM VALUES
 FREQUENCY EINS ARE IN KILOMETERS.
 TIME IS IN ZULUS

KEY:
 SEASONS - WINTER = DEC. + JAN. + FEB.
 SPRING = MAR. + APR. + MAY
 SUMMER = JUN. + JUL. + AUG.
 FALL = SEPT. + OCT. + NOV.

TABLE 4-7. HANNOVER: CUMULUS CLOUDS BASE HEIGHTS BY MONTH.

STATION: HANNOVER
 ELEV: 56.4
 LAT: 52.271
 LON: 9.445
 ELEV: 56.4

MONTH	TYPE	MAX(M)	MIN(M)	FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION(M)											
				0-249	250-499	500-749	750-999	1000-1249	1250-1499	1500-1749	1750+	0-0.6	0.6-1.2	1.2-1.8	1.8-2.4
JAN	CC	552.5	1200	90	11	137	130	73	12	0	0	0	0	0	0
JAN	CB	471.0	900	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEB	CC	570.5	1350	150	14	98	78	57	10	2	0	0	0	0	0
FEB	CB	530.0	750	300	0	6	4	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	CC	530.0	1500	180	9	173	162	229	74	10	3	0	0	0	0
MAR	CB	617.7	1140	150	1	12	16	13	2	0	0	0	0	0	0
APR	CC	779.7	1900	180	24	273	186	272	130	25	57	14	911	355.7	0.7
APR	CB	637.2	1200	300	0	32	40	30	7	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAY	CC	836.3	1900	120	19	159	152	300	211	48	86	37	0	0	0
MAY	CB	832.9	1500	300	0	9	16	37	11	4	3	0	0	0	0
JUN	CC	556.8	1600	90	20	233	216	345	242	63	69	30	1188	446.4	0.7
JUN	CB	816.7	1500	300	0	21	22	50	27	5	1	0	0	0	0
JUL	CC	844.9	1800	150	20	199	232	43	6	216	54	63	39	1261	48.7
JUL	CB	735.4	1350	300	0	9	16	46	11	1	0	0	0	0	0
AUG	CC	896.7	1900	150	16	134	159	302	175	54	60	42	953	36.4	0.7
AUG	CB	859.9	1500	300	0	6	16	33	19	4	2	0	0	0	0
SEP	CC	770.9	1800	90	13	156	157	306	147	18	14	2	923	31.9	0.7
SEP	CB	754.2	1500	300	0	7	7	18	7	0	1	0	0	0	0
OCT	CC	545.0	1350	150	13	160	152	219	39	4	0	0	0	0	0
OCT	CB	540.4	1500	300	0	5	10	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
NOV	CC	545.8	1500	120	19	239	156	114	12	1	0	0	0	0	0
NOV	CB	537.7	1200	240	2	13	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEC	CC	522.8	1200	90	18	185	146	63	5	3	1	0	0	0	0
DEC	CB	555.0	1050	300	0	6	7	3	1	0	0	0	0	0	0

KEY:

CLOUD TYPES-

CH = CUMULUS HUMULIS

CC = CUMULUS CLOUDICUS/CONGESTUS

CB = CUMULUS BISULCUS

CLOUD BASE STATISTICS ARE IN METERS.

TABLE A-8. CLOUDS BASE HEIGHTS BY SEASON AND HOUR.

		641.2	579.3	1200	180	57	31	10	0	0	0	5.0
FALL	CC	06	552.4	1200	90	159	118	79	10	0	0	13.6
FALL	CC	09	709.4	1200	150	152	162	231	9	0	0	39.2
FALL	CC	12	767.0	1800	150	13	75	113	207	5	0	54.6
FALL	CC	15	713.0	1800	270	37	44	62	82	5	0	52.5
FALL	CC	21	585.5	1500	210	1	39	29	17	1	1	16.8
FALL	CC	00	689.5	900	120	1	30	11	4	0	0	8.3
FALL	CB	03	345.0	450	240	1	1	0	0	0	0	4.7
FALL	CB	06	787.5	1200	300	2	0	0	2	0	0	0.2
FALL	CB	09	485.0	900	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.4
FALL	CB	12	583.5	1200	300	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6
FALL	CB	15	569.3	1500	240	1	5	18	15	3	1	2.1
FALL	CB	18	903.5	1200	450	2	1	4	6	3	0	4.5
FALL	CB	21	539.0	690	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	1.4
FALL	CB	00	575.0	900	450	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3
FALL	CB	03	00	00	00	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.6

KEY:

SEASONS-

WINTER = DEC, JAN, FEB

SPRING = MAR, APR, MAY

SUMMER = JUN, JUL, AUG

FALL = SEP, OCT, NOV

CLOUD TYPES-

CB = CUMULUS BOMULUS

CC = CUMULUS MEDICRIS/CONGESTUS

CB = CUMULUS NUBRUM

CB = CUMULUS STATUSTRUM

CB = CUMULUS TURBULUS

CB = CUMULUS VULPES

TABLE 4-3. HANOVER: CUMULUS CLOUD COVER BY MONTH.

MONTH	TYPE	MEAN	MAX	MIN	SEQUENCE								NO. OF CLOUDS	FREQ
					1/3	2/3	3/3	4/3	5/3	6/3	7/3	8/3		
JAN	CS	3.1	7	1	92	74	74	43	51	30	9	0	363	13.6
JAN	CC	2.3	5	1	3	5	6	4	0	0	1	0	120	0.7
FEB	CS	2.9	7	1	74	49	52	35	32	14	4	0	259	10.7
FEB	CC	1.6	4	1	10	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	12	0.5
MAR	CS	3.0	7	1	164	132	50	76	102	52	4	0	680	25.5
MAR	CC	1.9	7	1	21	13	6	2	1	0	1	0	44	1.7
APR	CS	3.0	7	1	231	177	190	104	127	71	11	0	911	35.7
APR	CC	1.9	7	1	51	4	6	2	2	3	1	0	109	4.3
MAY	CS	2.6	7	1	333	214	182	122	107	41	5	0	1014	38.5
MAY	CC	2.1	8	1	37	22	11	5	1	2	0	2	93	3.0
JUN	CS	2.6	7	1	381	249	251	130	136	35	6	0	1188	45.4
JUN	CC	2.0	7	1	56	4	12	6	5	3	2	0	125	4.9
JUL	CS	2.7	7	1	393	232	287	157	131	51	3	0	1261	48.7
JUL	CC	1.9	7	1	40	23	12	4	0	1	2	0	92	3.2
AUG	CS	2.5	7	1	319	197	215	102	102	33	4	0	953	36.4
AUG	CC	1.8	8	1	43	22	6	0	3	2	0	1	77	2.9
SEP	CS	2.5	7	1	282	136	148	99	77	27	5	0	823	31.9
SEP	CC	2.1	8	1	151	8	1	1	1	1	1	0	26	1.0
OCT	CS	2.7	8	1	183	147	114	69	57	41	6	3	617	23.3
OCT	CC	1.6	3	1	14	6	1	0	0	0	0	0	23	0.9
NOV	CS	2.9	8	1	140	115	102	65	65	34	13	1	542	21.2
NOV	CC	2.3	7	1	13	9	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
DEC	CS	1.6	4	1	112	77	90	41	57	32	6	0	418	15.7
DEC	CC	3.0	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

SKY COVER STATISTICS ARE IN EIGHTHS.
 CLOUD TYPES = CUMULUS + CLOUDS
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TABLE 4-10. HANNOVER: CLOUDS COVER AND SEASONS AND DUR.

SEASONS	TYPE	YEAR	FREQUENCY												
			1/8	2/8	3/8	4/8	5/8	6/8	7/8	8/8	9/8	10/8	11/8	12/8	
SEASONS	TYPE	YEAR	3.3	6	1	5	11	13	5	5	6	3	0	65	6.6
4/INTER	CC	73	2.9	6	1	14	10	13	4	11	3	0	55	5.7	
4/INTER	CC	06	3.1	7	1	48	25	25	15	25	17	8	0	174	18.1
4/INTER	CC	09	3.1	7	1	90	56	52	43	40	29	8	0	318	32.5
4/INTER	CC	12	3.1	7	1	95	51	50	39	36	16	4	0	273	28.6
4/INTER	CC	15	2.8	7	1	95	51	50	39	36	16	4	0	273	28.6
4/INTER	CC	18	2.8	5	1	17	19	18	10	13	0	3	0	77	8.0
4/INTER	CC	21	3.0	7	1	11	11	17	4	9	3	1	0	55	5.9
4/INTER	CC	00	3.1	7	1	7	6	9	8	3	2	1	0	35	3.7
4/INTER	CC	03	2.3	3	1	1	0	1	0	3	0	0	2	0.2	0.4
4/INTER	CC	06	1.4	3	1	6	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.8
4/INTER	CC	09	1.4	3	1	4	1	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0.8
4/INTER	CC	12	1.9	3	1	11	7	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0.8
4/INTER	CC	15	1.8	5	1	11	7	6	9	8	3	2	1	0	0.8
4/INTER	CC	18	1.8	4	1	3	3	3	3	3	1	0	0	0	0.8
4/INTER	CC	21	2.2	4	1	1	3	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0.8
SPRING	CC	00	4.3	8	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	3	0.3
SPRING	CC	03	2.9	6	1	7	5	9	4	4	1	0	0	30	3.0
SPRING	CC	06	2.7	7	1	56	29	27	9	16	16	2	0	155	15.8
SPRING	CC	09	3.1	7	1	133	92	91	57	67	47	7	0	504	51.3
SPRING	CC	12	3.2	7	1	151	136	143	102	123	59	8	0	722	73.4
SPRING	CC	15	2.8	7	1	162	146	150	101	71	34	1	0	695	70.9
SPRING	CC	18	2.1	7	1	176	93	54	29	24	5	1	0	382	39.2
SPRING	CC	21	2.3	5	1	28	27	12	7	6	2	0	0	82	9.4
SPRING	CC	00	2.5	7	1	15	5	6	3	5	0	0	0	35	3.6
SPRING	CC	03	2.0	3	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3
SPRING	CC	06	1.7	2	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3
SPRING	CC	09	2.7	6	1	2	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.3
SPRING	CC	12	1.7	5	1	28	23	6	1	5	3	0	0	7	0.7
SPRING	CC	15	2.1	7	1	37	24	11	4	1	1	0	0	53	6.0
SPRING	CC	18	1.5	4	1	36	20	4	1	1	0	0	0	84	8.5
SPRING	CC	21	2.7	8	1	4	4	4	1	0	0	0	0	12	1.2
SPRING	CC	00	5.0	8	2	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0.4
SUMMER	CC	03	2.2	6	1	38	23	13	5	11	4	3	0	91	9.3
SUMMER	CC	06	2.2	7	1	109	34	44	14	18	4	3	0	225	23.2
SUMMER	CC	09	3.3	7	1	164	117	125	99	120	45	3	0	663	67.6
SUMMER	CC	12	2.9	7	1	194	157	227	129	115	32	3	0	857	87.2
SUMMER	CC	15	2.5	7	1	232	189	209	124	76	28	3	0	841	87.5
SUMMER	CC	18	1.9	6	1	271	95	93	31	16	6	3	0	513	53.3
SUMMER	CC	21	2.2	7	1	63	44	30	9	11	3	1	0	151	16.7
SUMMER	CC	00	2.4	5	1	13	15	12	8	2	0	0	0	53	5.2
SUMMER	CC	03	2.9	7	1	2	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	9	0.9
SUMMER	CC	06	2.2	4	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	5	0.5
SUMMER	CC	09	1.4	3	1	8	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	11	1.1
SUMMER	CC	12	1.7	8	1	29	13	5	1	1	0	0	0	53	5.1
SUMMER	CC	15	1.3	5	1	45	28	11	2	2	0	0	0	92	9.4
SUMMER	CC	18	1.3	7	1	39	26	6	3	1	2	1	0	79	8.1
SUMMER	CC	21	2.5	7	1	10	9	3	1	2	1	1	0	29	2.9
SUMMER	CC	03	2.5	7	1	6	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	15	1.5

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EASINS-
WINTER = DEC. - JUN., FEB.
SPRING = MAR. - APR. - MAY
SUMMER = JUN. - JUL. - AUG.
FALL = SEP. - OCT. - NOV.

TABLE 4-11. HANNOVER: CUMULUS CLOUD HEIGHTS IN MONTH.

		FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION (Kilometers)																									
		0-1			1-2			2-3			3-4			4-5			5-6			6-7			7-8				
		MEAN (M)	4355	405	32	42	12	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
JAN	CC	1625.0	4355	405	32	42	12	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
JAN	CB	1625.0	4605	405	32	42	12	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
FEB	CC	1731.0	4905	405	32	42	12	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
FEB	CB	1731.0	5389.5	705	20	35	13	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
MAR	CC	2592.0	2502	2502	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
MAR	CB	2121.2	6395	355	28	100	55	17	8	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
JUN	CC	5159.0	7055	2605	0	0	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
JUN	CB	2713.0	5952	455	36	110	133	35	13	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
JUL	CC	3311.7	11055	3605	0	0	0	0	7	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5
JUL	CB	2555.0	9002	1552	16	103	154	91	32	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	6	
SEP	CC	2980.1	9955	355	25	92	137	32	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	
SEP	CB	2980.1	9955	355	25	92	137	32	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	15	
OCT	CC	1077.0	10752	3105	0	0	0	0	4	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3	3
OCT	CB	2832.0	8452	552	13	46	131	72	28	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	11	
NOV	CC	3315.0	11755	3105	0	0	0	0	4	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
NOV	CB	2405.5	6755	355	24	71	94	40	13	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	7	
DEC	CC	1226.0	1055	355	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
DEC	CB	1226.0	1055	355	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

KEY:

CLOUD TYPES-

CC = CUMULUS TURBULUS

CB = CUMULUS SEPARATUS/CONGESTUS

CB = CUMULUS CONDENSATUS

CB = CUMULUS CALIGINEUS

CB = CUMULUS CALIGINEUS, AND MINIMUM VALUES ARE IN METERS.

FREQUENCY ETS ARE IN KILOMETERS.

TABLE 4-12. *MAXIMUM, MEAN, AND MINIMUM DISTANCES OF SEASIDE AND INLAND*

SEASIDE TYPE, 1952	SEASIDE TYPE, 1953	MEAN(M)	MAX(M)	MIN(M)	FREQUENCY DISTRIBUTION				
					1-2	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6
WATER	CC	1181.0	3105.0	6605.0	4	2	0	1	0
WATER	CC	26	1185.0	2255.0	505	2	2	1	0
WATER	CC	63	1137.1	3355.1	355	1	5	4	1
WATER	CC	12	1552.0	6396.0	405	35	20	6	1
WATER	CC	15	1460.0	4902	355	29	21	2	2
WATER	CC	19	1055.0	1555.0	645	5	1	0	0
WATER	CC	21	1019.3	2705	605	5	1	0	0
WATER	CC	20	1054.0	2504	445	5	2	2	0
WATER	CC	15	1553.5	4405	2502	3	1	0	0
SPRING	CC	13	910.0	1505	505	2	1	0	0
SPRING	CC	26	1314.5	2705	495	5	6	4	0
SPRING	CC	23	2037.2	8105	355	6	6	2	0
SPRING	CC	12	2316.0	9955	555	19	10	8	5
SPRING	CC	15	2524.5	6955	705	2	10	11	4
SPRING	CC	13	2639.5	9355	795	6	23	20	2
SPRING	CC	21	2821.0	6355	655	1	1	0	0
SPRING	CC	20	1555.0	1505	1505	0	1	0	0
SPRING	CC	29	5356.0	5155	5355	0	0	0	0
SPRING	CC	12	4950.7	7905	1495	4	2	1	0
SPRING	CC	15	4076.2	7355	2652	0	0	0	0
SPRING	CC	18	5813.7	6405	6952	0	0	0	0
SPRING	CC	23	2502.0	2502	2502	0	0	0	0
SUMMER	CC	3	1845.3	4421	252	4	1	1	0
SUMMER	CC	9	2332.0	9055	455	27	77	66	47
SUMMER	CC	12	2901.5	8355	605	11	84	128	60
SUMMER	CC	15	2351.0	8905	605	6	67	122	35
SUMMER	CC	18	2665.7	7305	6905	2	4	56	31
SUMMER	CC	21	1942.5	2755	1055	1	1	1	0
SUMMER	CC	24	5032.0	1055	3105	2	1	1	0
SUMMER	CC	22	2031.7	3255	3955	1	0	0	0
SUMMER	CC	29	5485.0	6502	3042	0	0	0	0
SUMMER	CC	12	5415.0	1052	1052	0	0	0	0
SUMMER	CC	15	5018.4	11755	1452	5	0	0	0
FALL	CC	16	657.0	1205	5755	5022	29	75	61
FALL	CC	18	1346.0	2902	6455	4	2	0	0
FALL	CC	21	1518.0	2902	6455	4	1	0	0
FALL	CC	20	716.0	1755	455	5	2	0	0
FALL	CC	12	5525.0	7655	5355	2	0	0	0
FALL	CC	15	3955.0	4555	2805	2	0	1	0
FALL	CC	19	472.0	3702	3702	0	0	0	0

KEY:

SEASIDE-

SEASIDE-

WINTER = DEC-JAN-FEB
SPRING = MAR-APR-MAY
SUMMER = JUN-JUL-AUG
FALL = SEPT-OCT-NOV

MEAN, MAXIMUM, AND MINIMUM VALUES ARE IN METERS.

FREQUENCY RATES ARE IN KILOMETERS.

TIME IS IN JULY.

CLOUDS -

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SEA NARROWS: SEASIDE-SEA NARROWS
SEA NARROWS: SEA NARROWS-SEA NARROWS

Month	Mean Temp.	Mean RH (%)	Mean Wind (mph)	Mean Precip. (in.)	Mean Clouds (in.)	
					Mean	Range
JAN	50.1	70.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
FEB	52.1	72.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
MAR	54.1	74.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
APR	56.1	76.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
MAY	59.1	79.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
JUN	62.1	82.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
JUL	65.1	85.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
SEP	69.1	89.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
OCT	72.1	92.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
NOV	75.1	95.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0
DEC	78.1	98.1	10.0	1.0	1.0	0.0-1.0

1.000 ft. elev. statistics are for 1950-51.
 2. Clouds = cumulus, cumulonimbus, stratus, stratocumulus, altocumulus, altostratus, cirrus, cirrostratus, cirrocumulus, cirrostratus, nimbostratus, and cirrostratus.
 3. Precip. = precipitation.
 4. Temp. = temperature.
 5. RH = relative humidity.

TABLE A-120
SEASIDE AND DUNES

< EPI:
 < CUMULUS-
 < M1762 = M2501 JAN, 63
 < M1765 = M250122, 64 V
 < M1767 = JUN, 64 L
 < M1768 = JUN, 64 L
 < M1770 = CEN. 1960, 65 V

CLOUD TYPES-
 M1 = CUMULUS HUMILIS
 M2 = CUMULUS MEDICUS/CONGESTUS
 M3 = CUMULONIMBUS
 SKY DUSTA STATISTICS ARE IN EIGHT-45.
 TIME IS IN JULY.

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MEAN MAXIMUM AND MINIMUM VALUES ARE IN METERS.
FREQUENCY RAINS ARE IN KILOGMETERS.

TABLE 4-13. NEW ORLEANS: CUMULUS CLOUD TOP HEIGHTS BY SEASONS AND TYPES.

SEAS.	SEAS.	TYPE	MEAN (ft.)	MAX (ft.)	MIN (ft.)	MEAN (ft.)	MAX (ft.)	MIN (ft.)	MEAN (ft.)	MAX (ft.)	MIN (ft.)	MEAN (ft.)	MAX (ft.)	MIN (ft.)	MEAN (ft.)	MAX (ft.)	MIN (ft.)	MEAN (ft.)	MAX (ft.)	MIN (ft.)
SPRING	SPRING	CH	18	1872.5	5905	1-1	2-3	3-4	4-5	5-6	6-7	7-8	8-9	9-10	10-11	11-12	12-13	13-14	14-15	15-16
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	1453.0	1805	1070	2	23	9	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	3744.2	10301	8555	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	2941.8	4451	1501	0	1	2	1	2	2	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	3771.0	3771	3771	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	20	5583.4	10051	25701	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	9951.0	9951	9951	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	2048.5	5505	901	2	64	23	10	2	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	1733.8	5055	701	6	35	12	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	12	2251.5	5001	1051	0	4	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	3859.2	10255	1101	0	19	32	20	19	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	1057.7	8951	9951	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
SPRING	SPRING	CB	20	9951.0	9951	9951	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	12	5875.0	701	4051	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	7776.9	11005	1055	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	7322.7	11651	3151	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	12	1820.8	6001	601	5	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	2845.7	6601	1451	0	21	47	30	8	3	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	2343.0	4551	1001	0	17	25	17	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	12	5892.7	9551	4451	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	18	5132.2	10801	1601	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CC	20	5334.5	11901	1901	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	12	11466.5	12901	10051	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	18	19778.3	13905	3101	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
SPRING	SPRING	CB	20	10233.9	13101	3201	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CH	12	1539.5	1901	651	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CH	15	2011.0	2301	2001	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CH	18	2143.3	6006	651	1	56	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CH	20	2578.8	5451	12701	0	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CC	12	4651.7	6351	5555	1	1	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CC	18	4555.0	10105	1351	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CC	00	4318.1	8705	1501	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CB	20	8351.0	10951	5751	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CB	12	10334.3	12301	6801	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CB	18	10043.0	13505	2401	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FALL	FALL	CB	00	9126.6	12701	2955	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

KEY:

SEA = SEAS.

4-14 = DEC-JAN-FEB

SPRING = MAR-APR-MAY

SUMMER = JUN-JUL-AUG

FALL = SEP-OCT-NOV

CLOUD TYPES-

CH = CUMULUS HUMULIS

CC = CUMULUS CIRRIFORMIS/CONGESTUS

CB = CUMULONIMBUS

MEAN, MAXIMUM, AND MINIMUM VALUES ARE IN METERS.

TIME ARE IN ZULU.

APPENDIX B
Selected Cloud Dimension Graphs

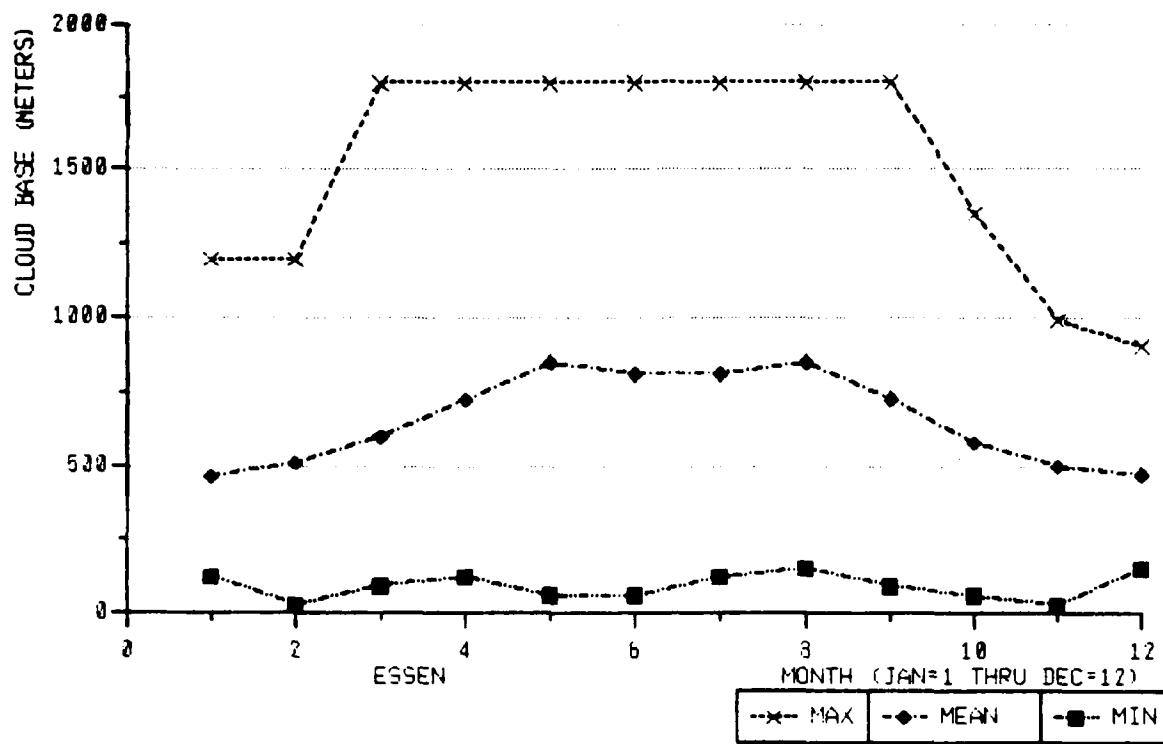


Figure B-1. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Bases for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus by Month.

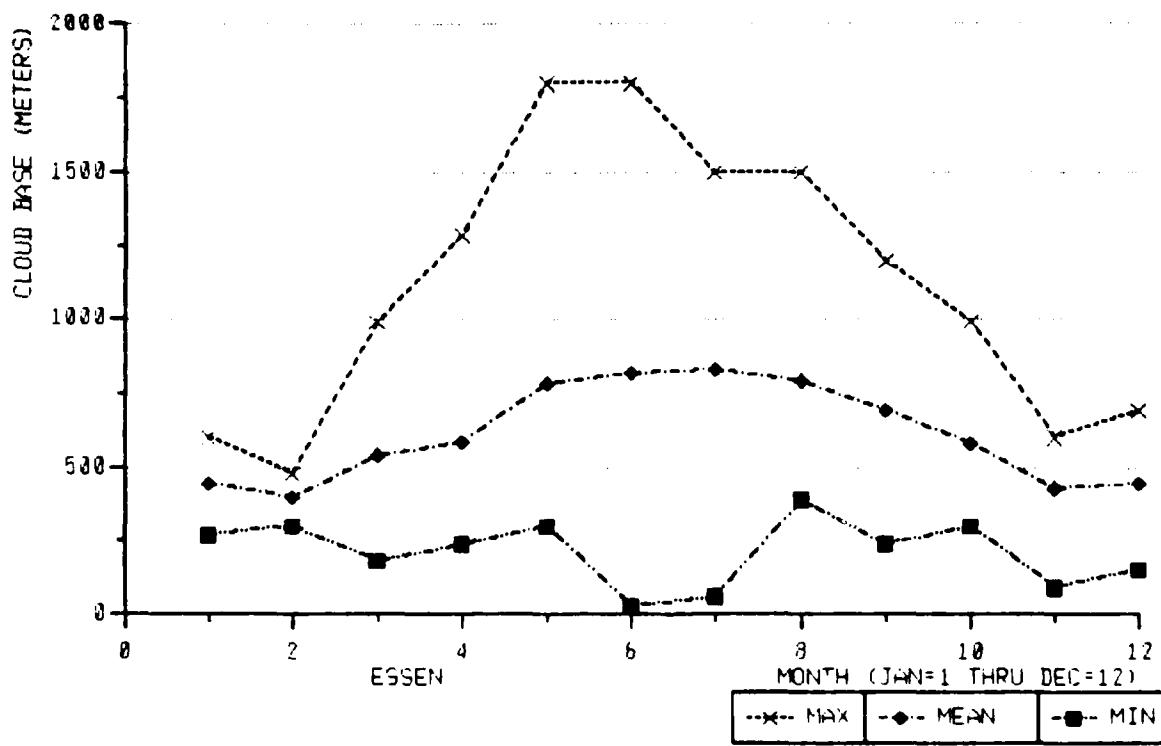


Figure B-2. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Bases for Cumulonimbus by Month.

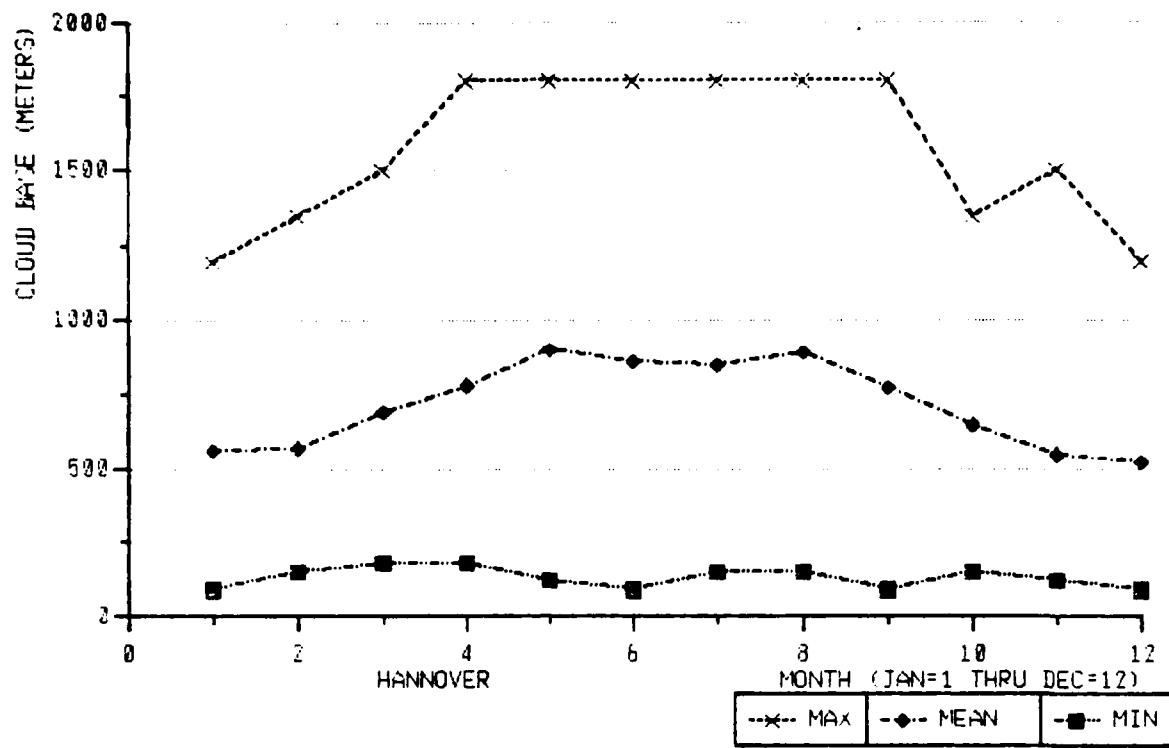


Figure B-3. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus by Month.

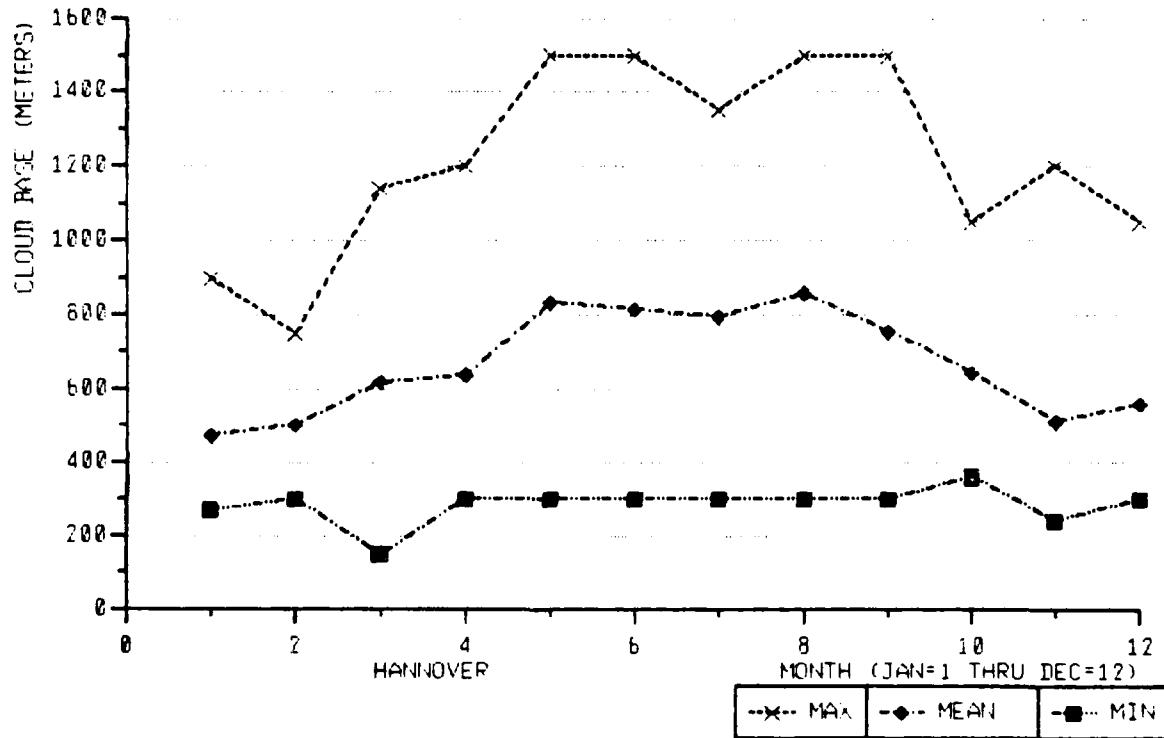


Figure B-4. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulonimbus by Month.

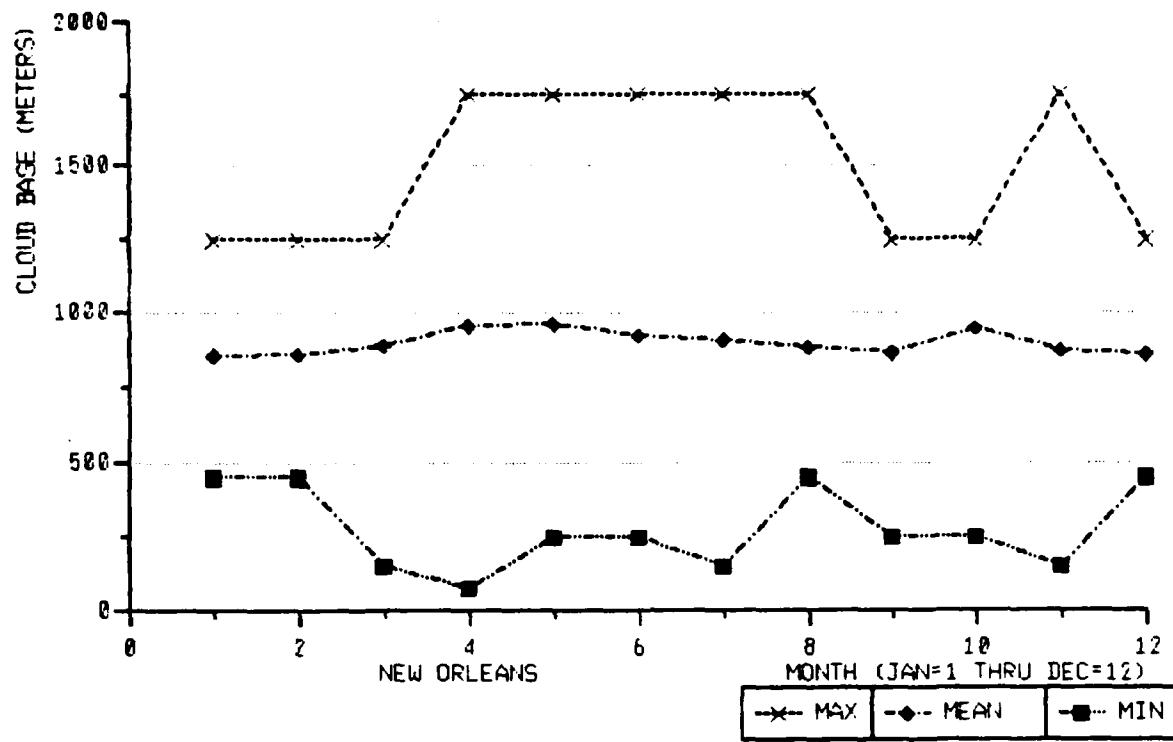


Figure B-5. NEW ORLEANS: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Humulis/Fractus by Month.

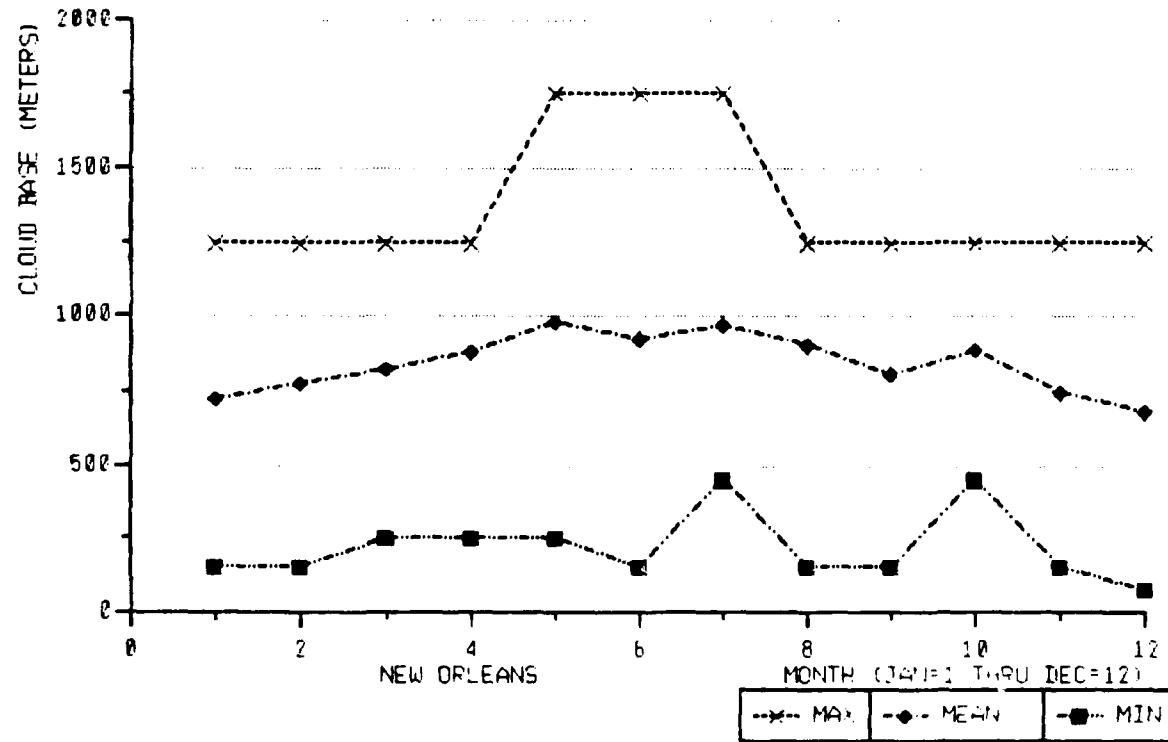


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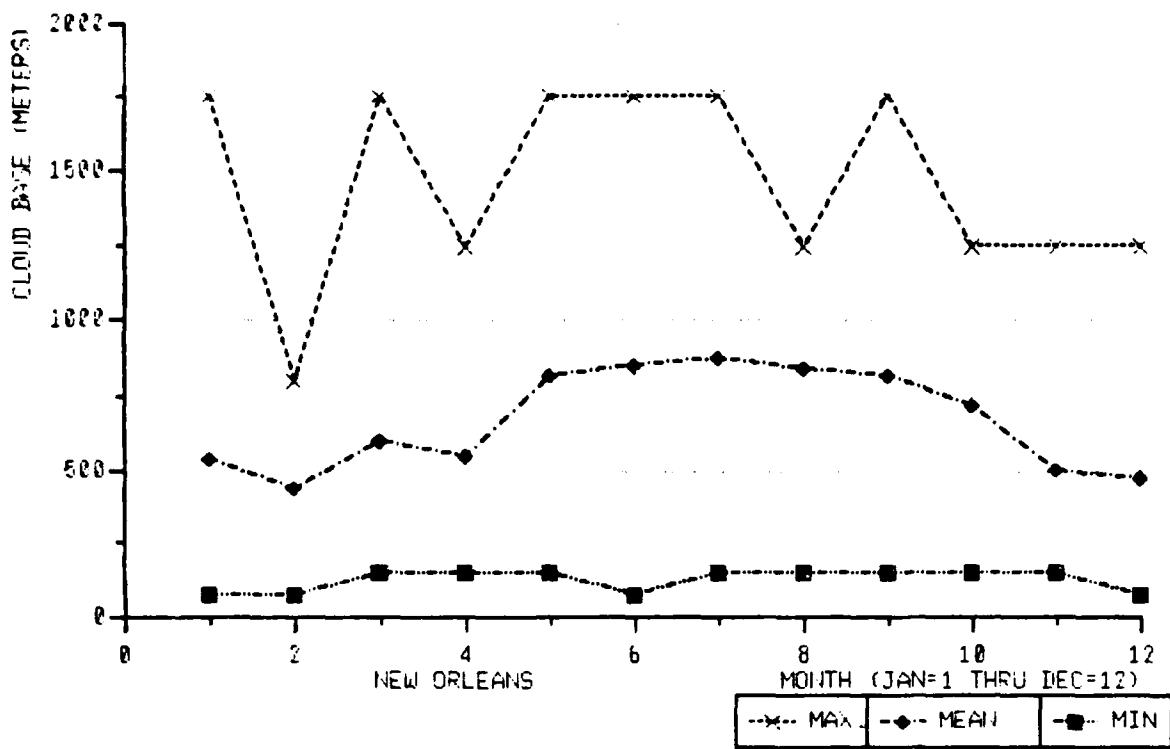


Figure B-7. NEW ORLEANS: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulonimbus by Month.

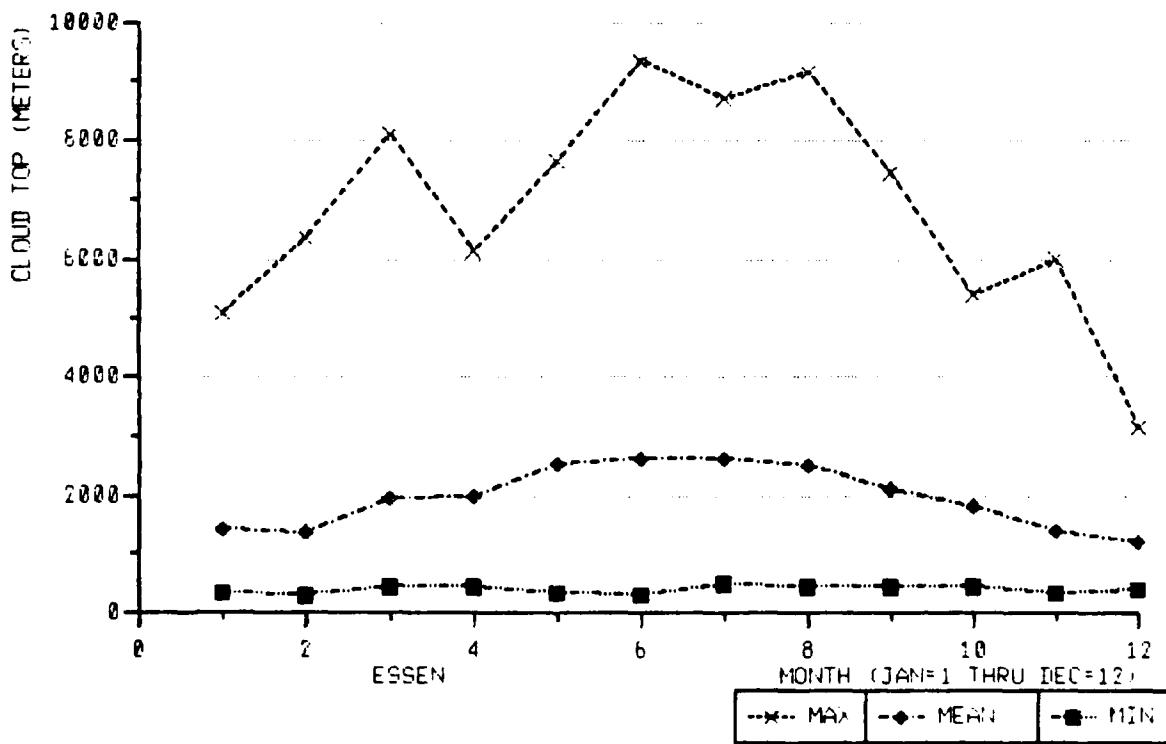


Figure B-8. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus by Month.

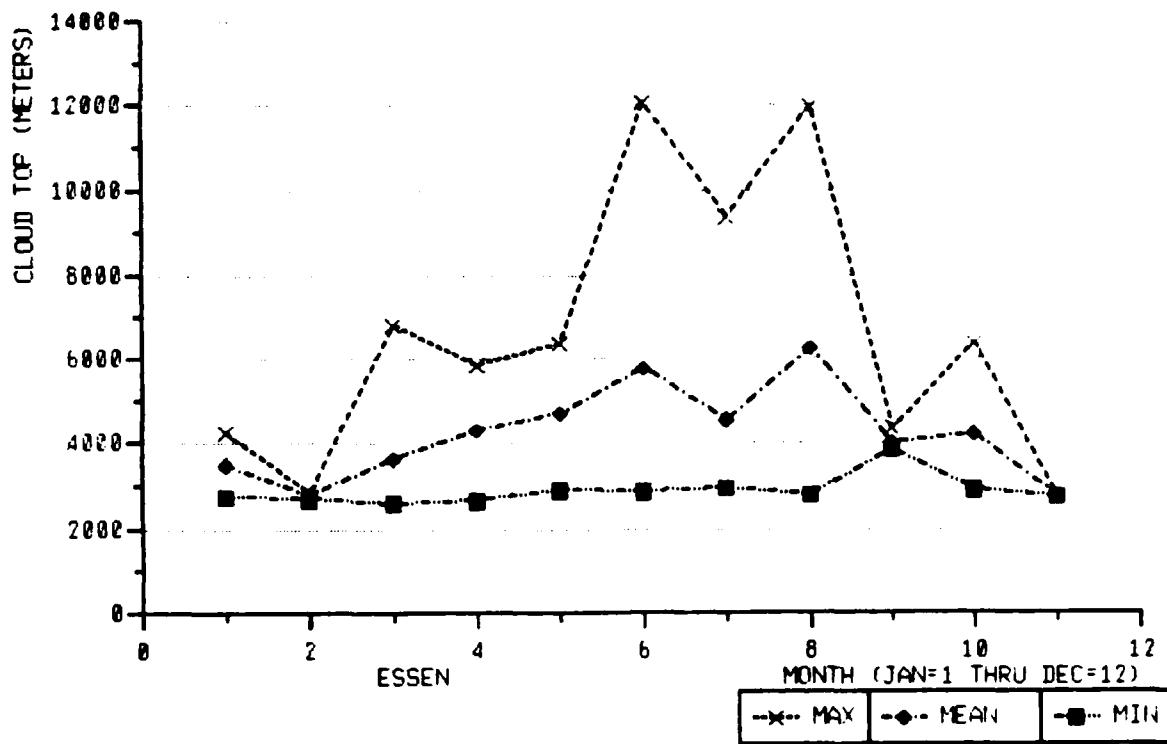


Figure B-9. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulonimbus by Month.

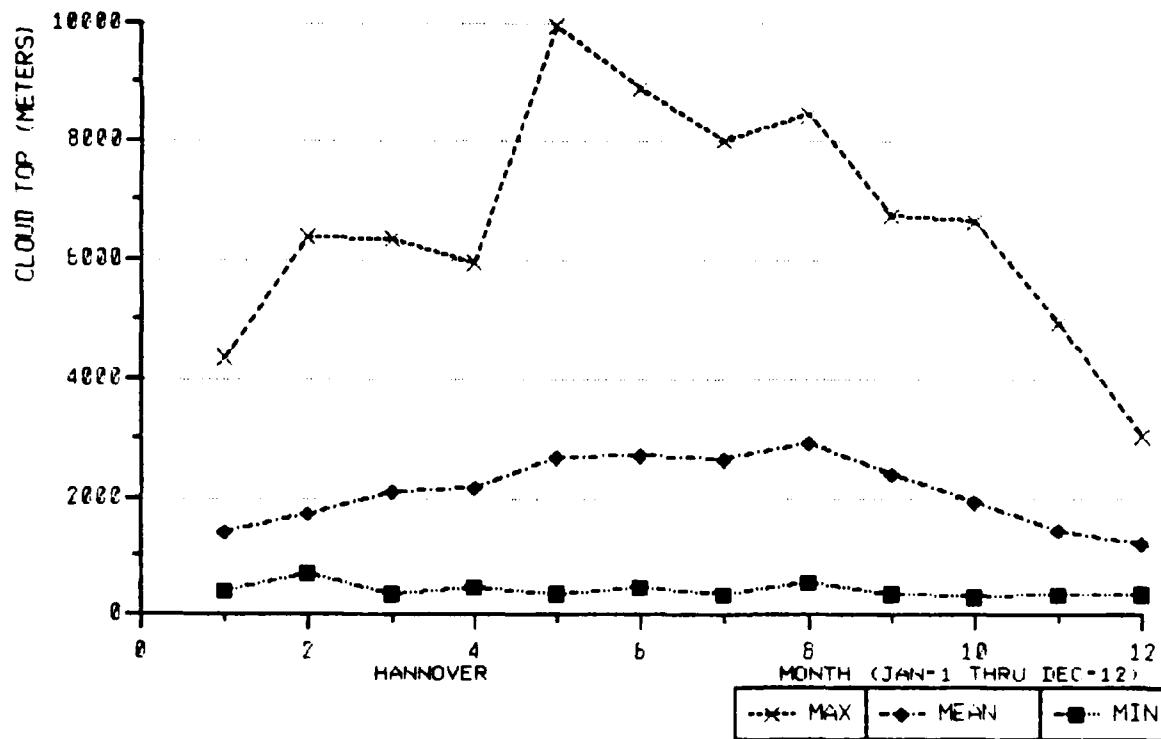


Figure B-10. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus by Month.

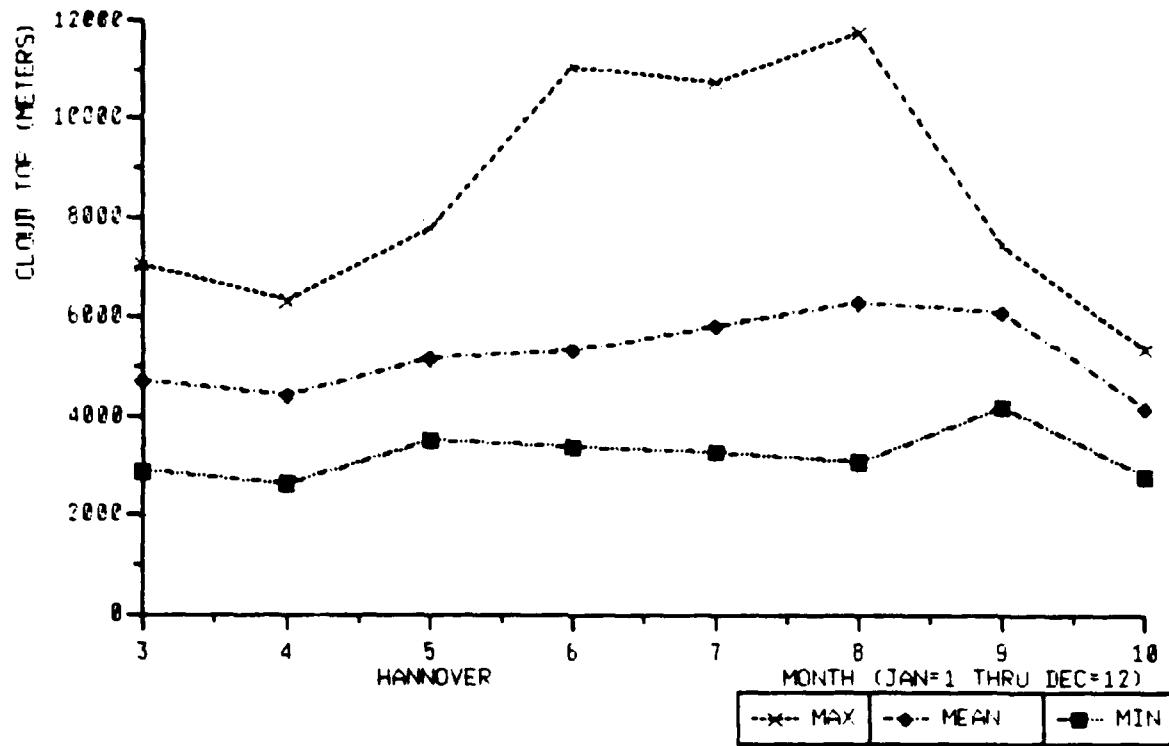


Figure B-11. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulonimbus by Month.

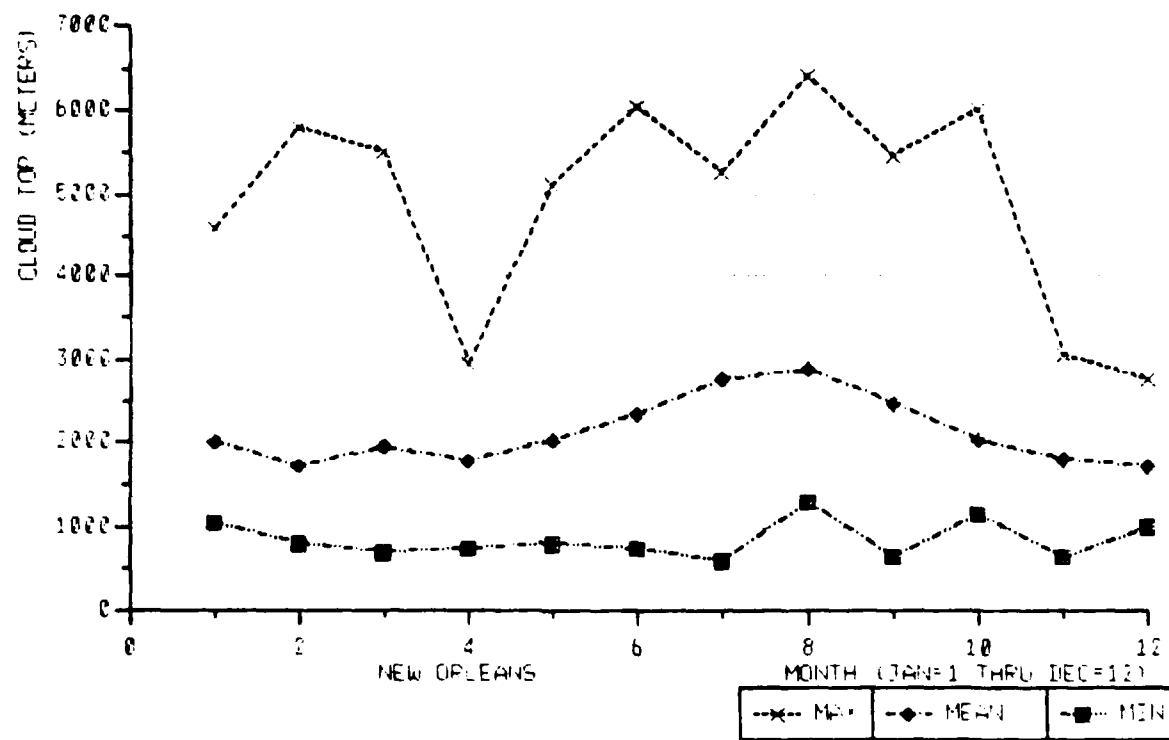


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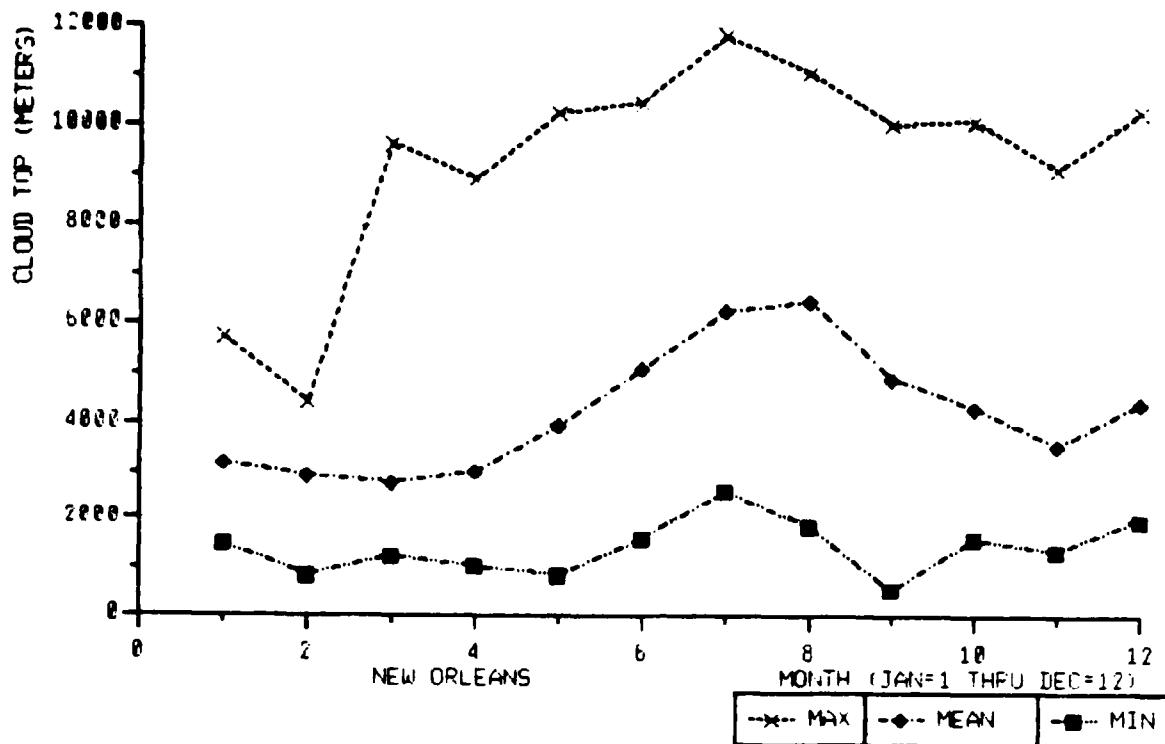


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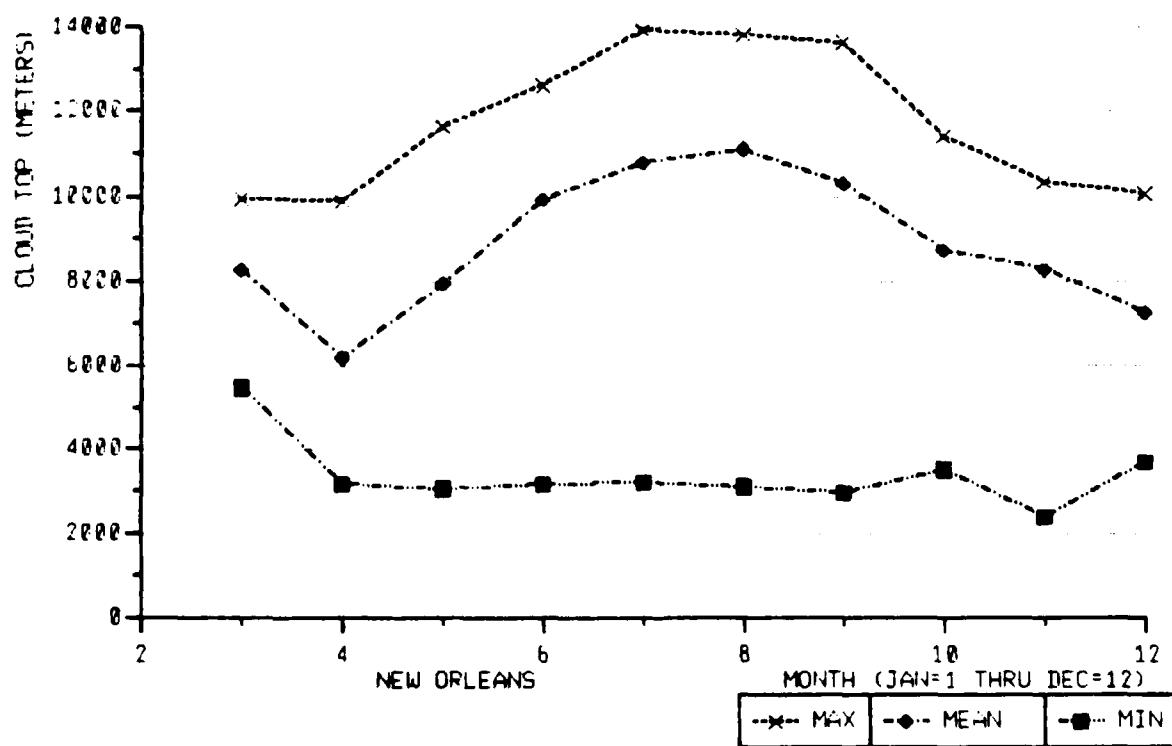


Figure B-14. NEW ORLEANS: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulonimbus by Month.

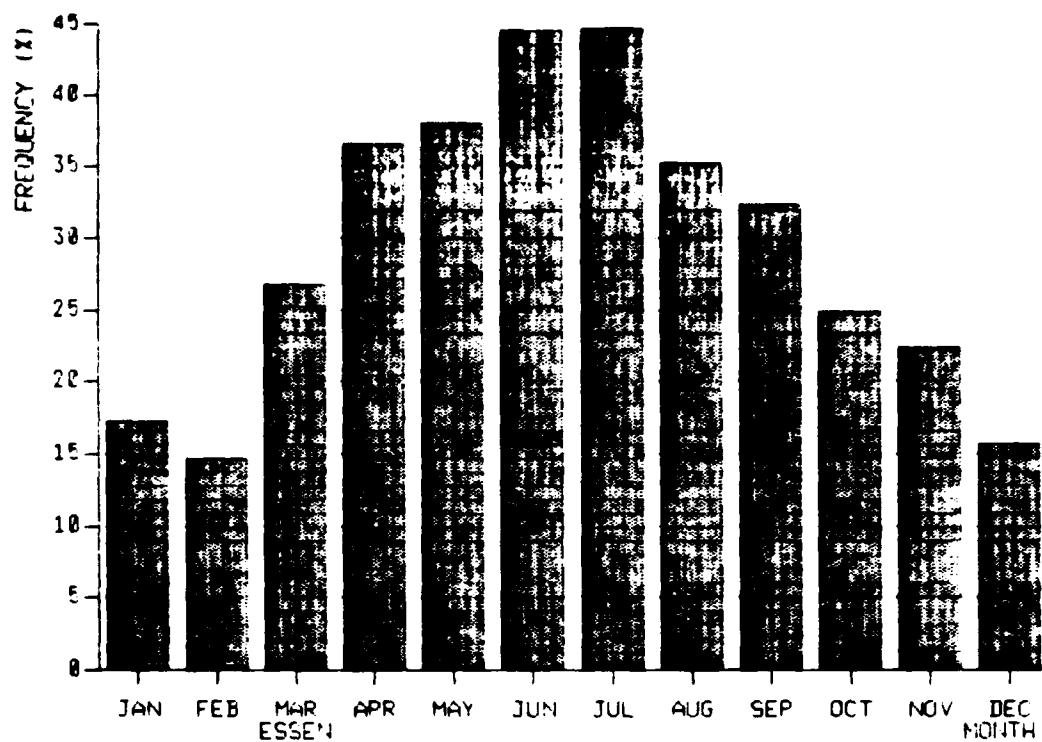


Figure B-15. ESSEN: Frequency of Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus by Month.

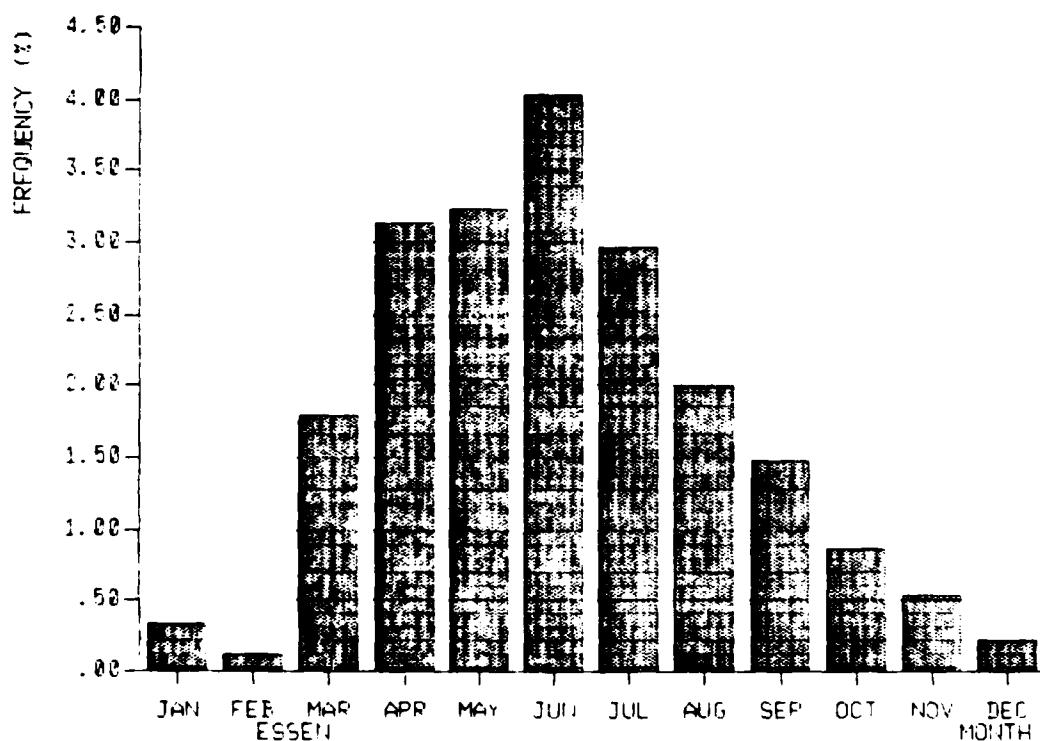


Figure B-16. ESSEN: Frequency of Cumulonimbus by Month.

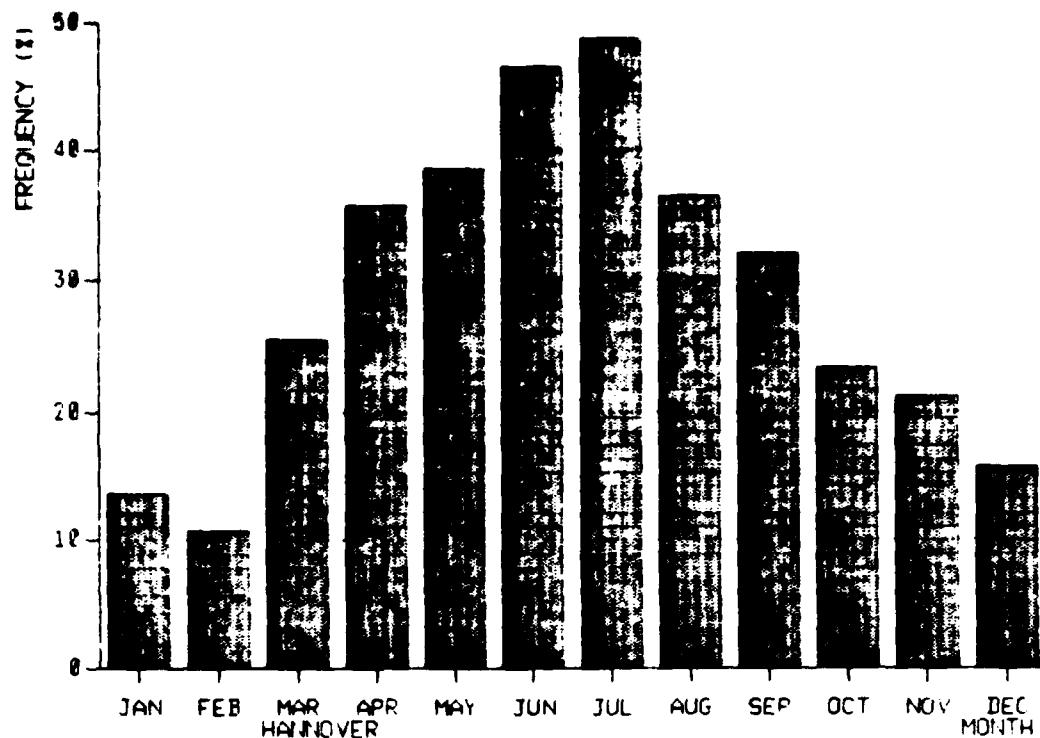


Figure B-17. HANNOVER: Frequency of Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus by Month.

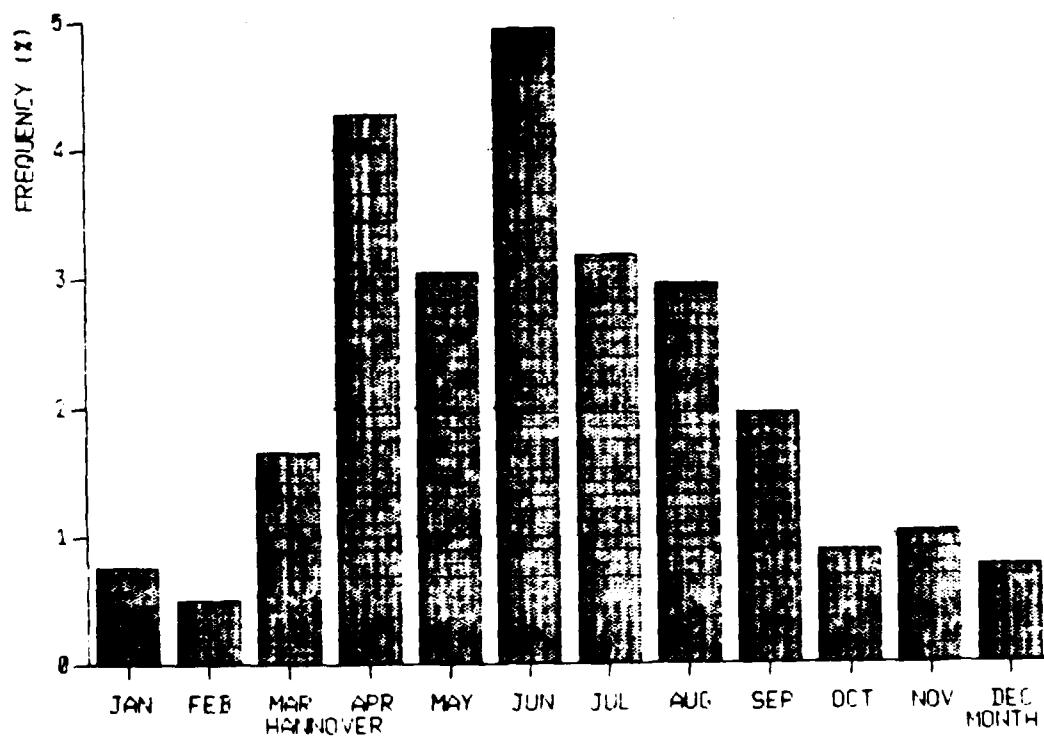


Figure B-18. HANNOVER: Frequency of Cumulonimbus by Month.

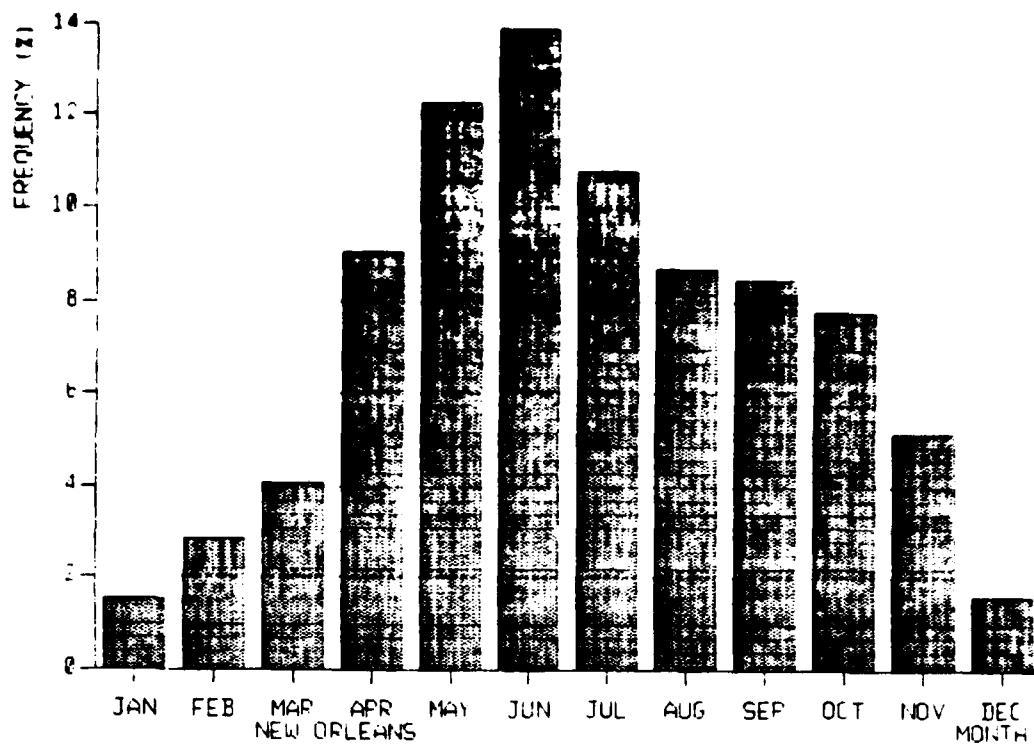


Figure B-19. NEW ORLEANS: Frequency of *Cumulus Humulis/Fractus* by Month.

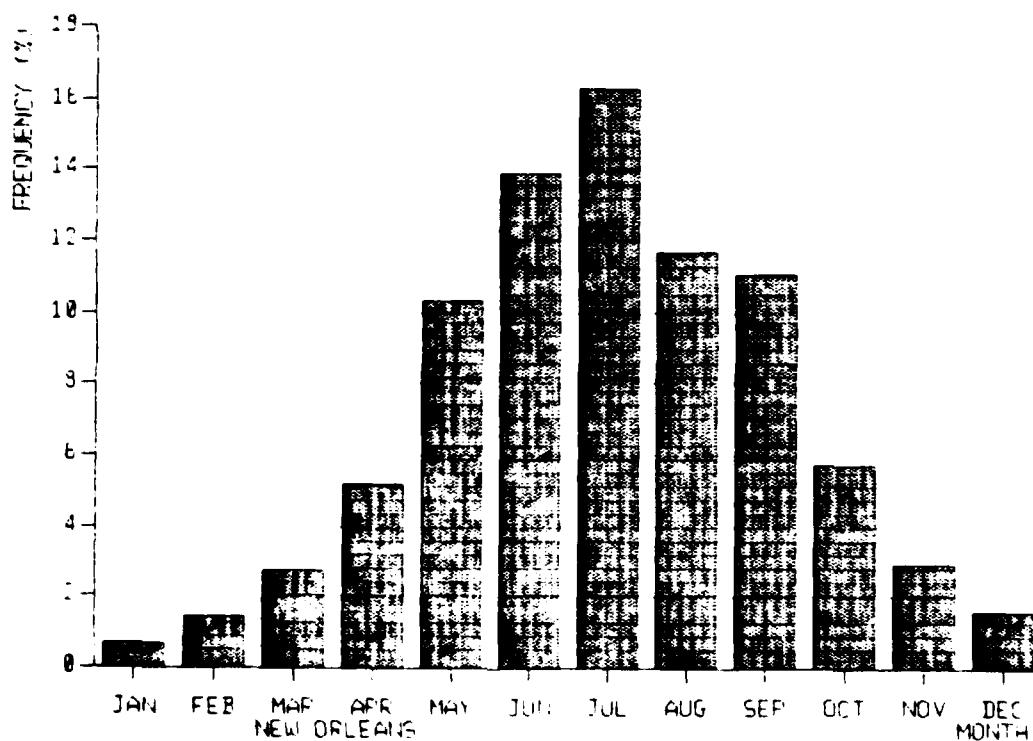


Figure B-20. NEW ORLEANS: Frequency of *Cumulus Medicocris/Congestus* by Month.

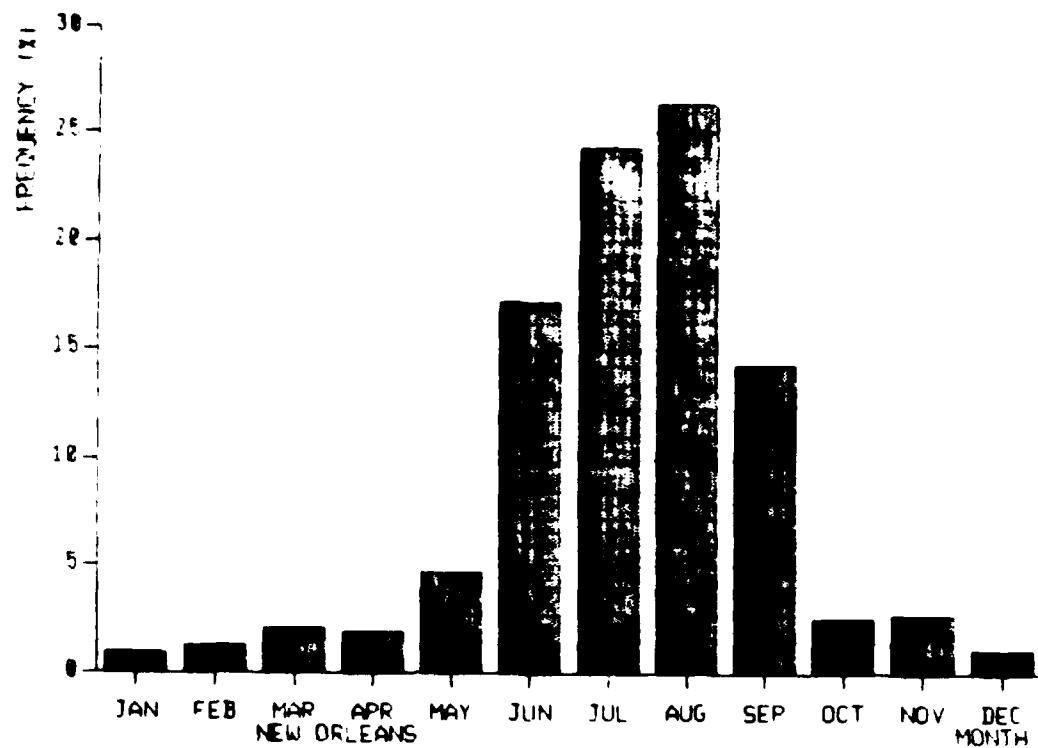


Figure B-21. NEW ORLEANS: Frequency of Cumulonimbus by Month.

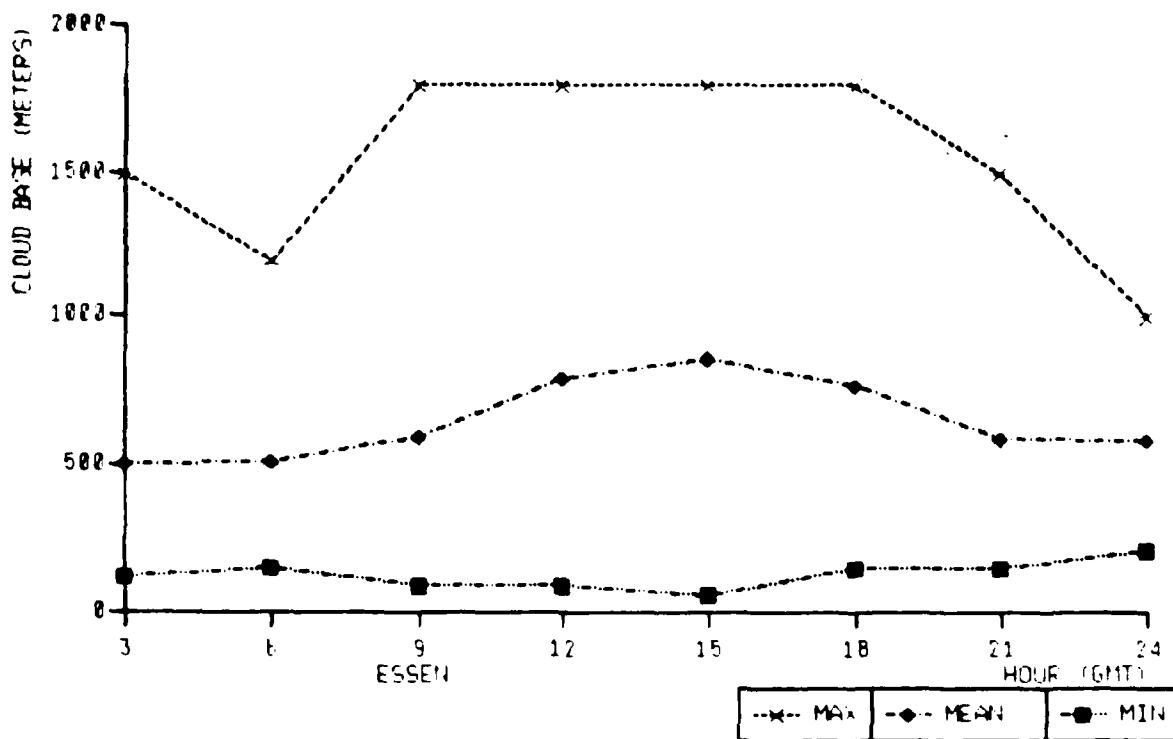


Figure B-22. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Spring, by Hour.

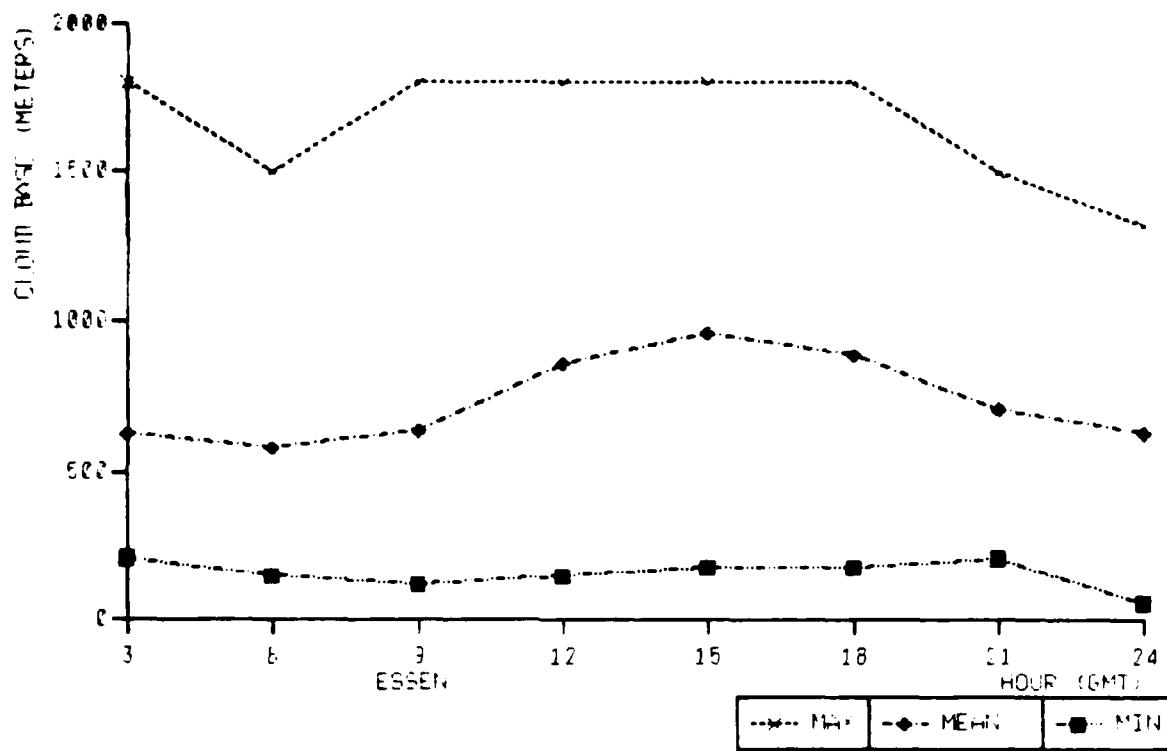


Figure B-23. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Summer, by Hour.

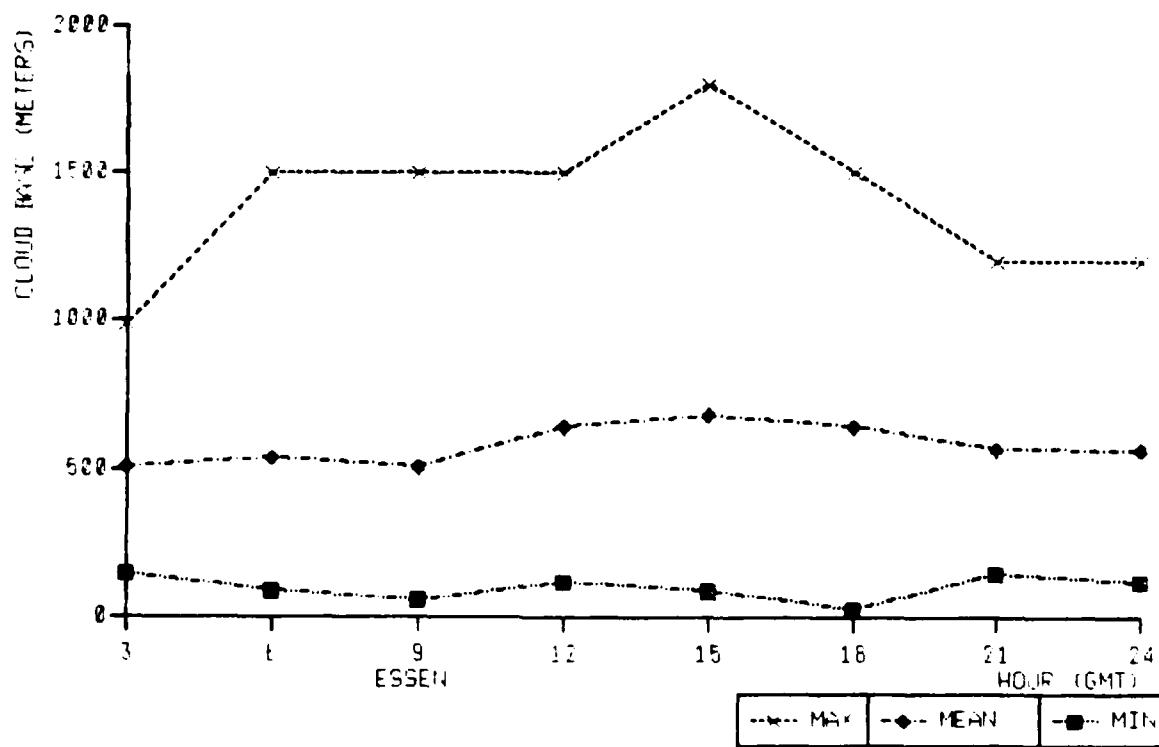


Figure B-24. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Fall, by Hour.

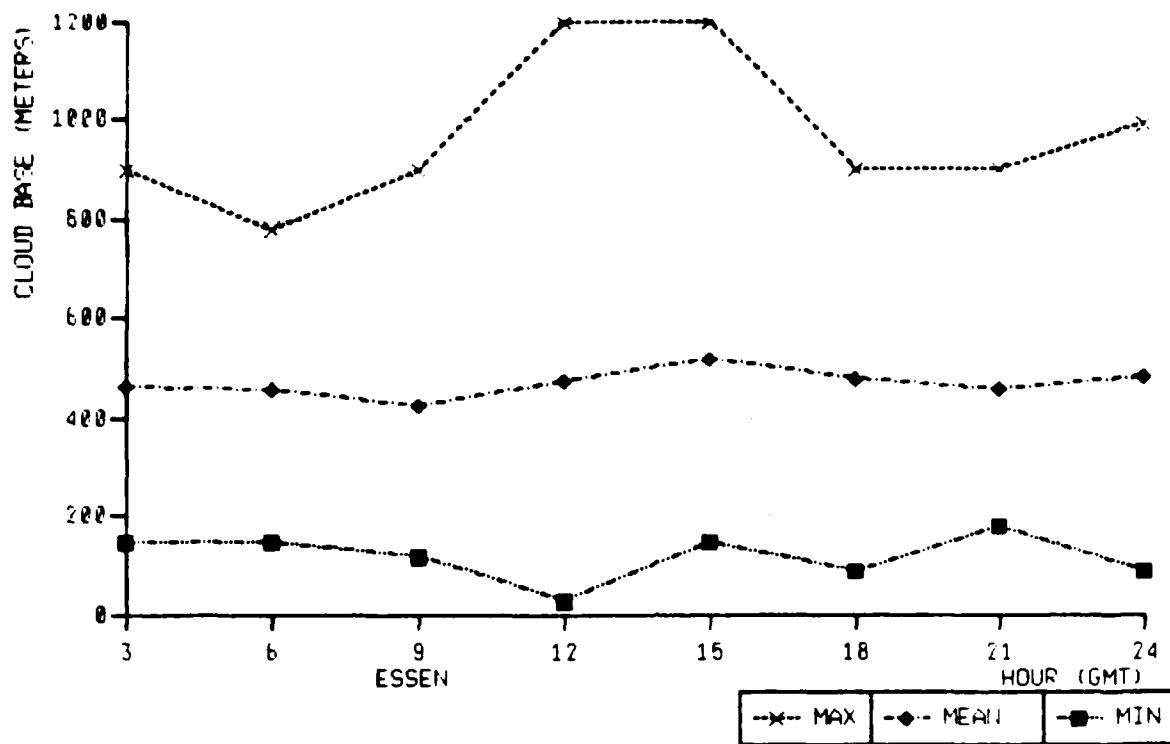


Figure B-25. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Winter, by Hour.

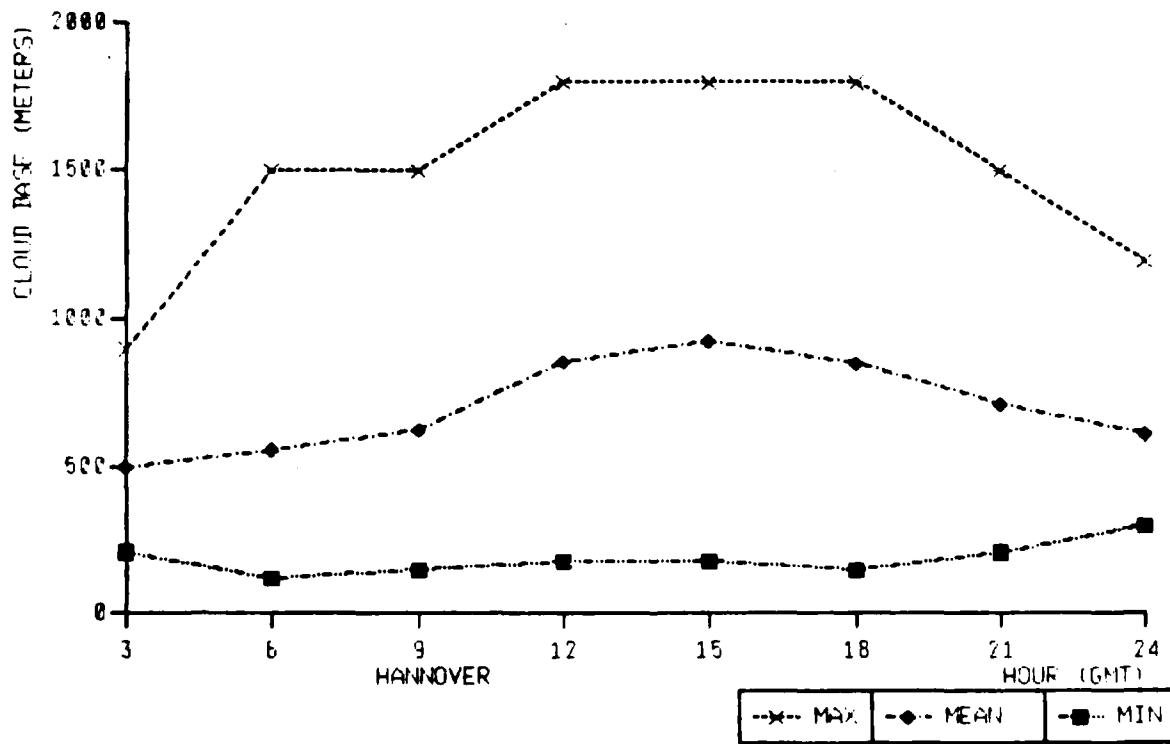


Figure B-26. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Spring, by Hour.

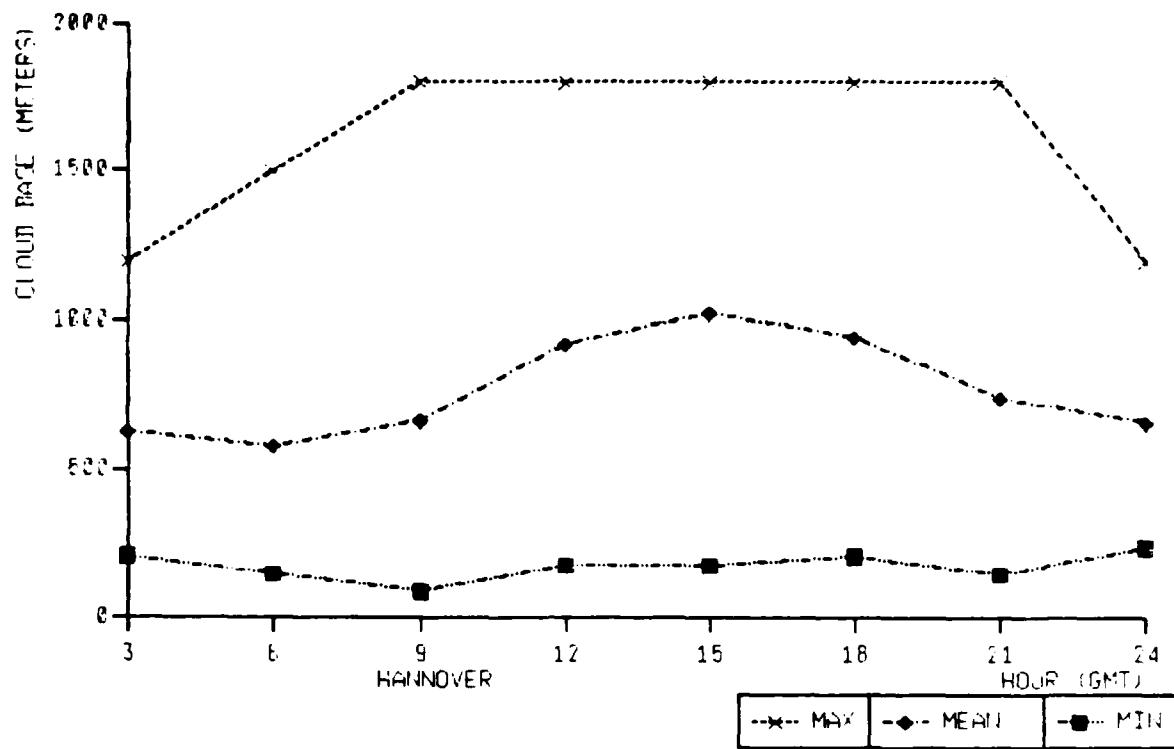


Figure B-27. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Summer, by Hour.

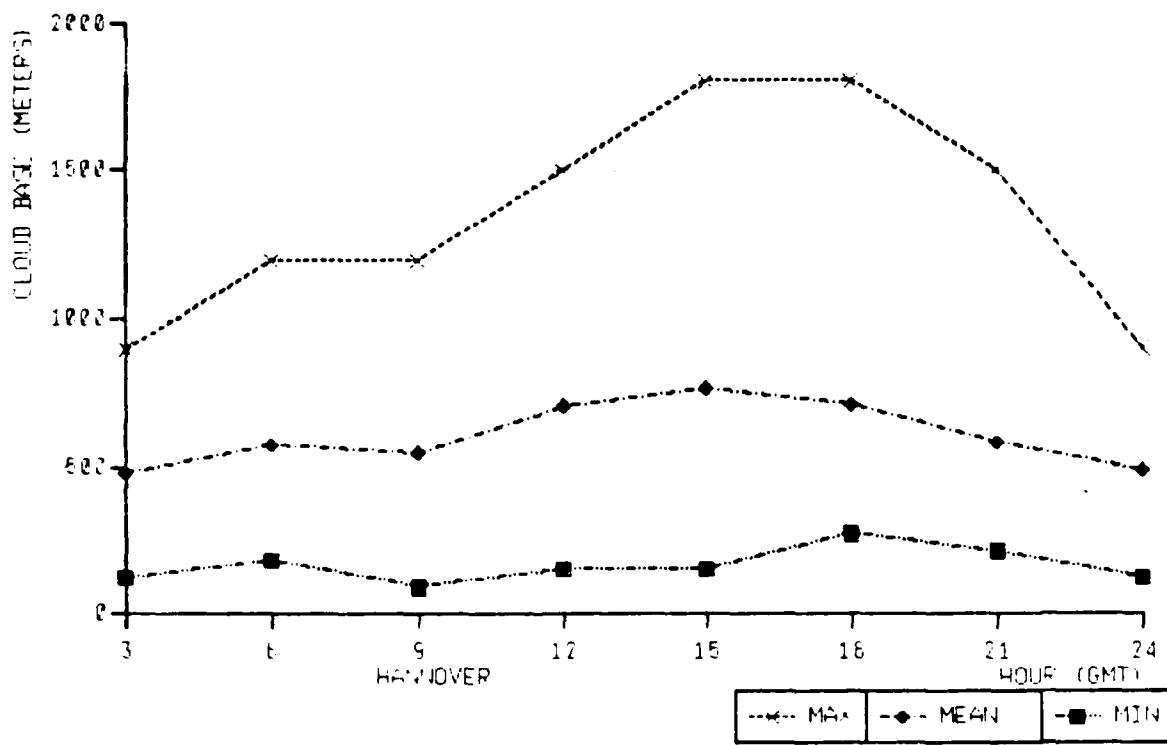


Figure B-28. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Fall, by Hour.

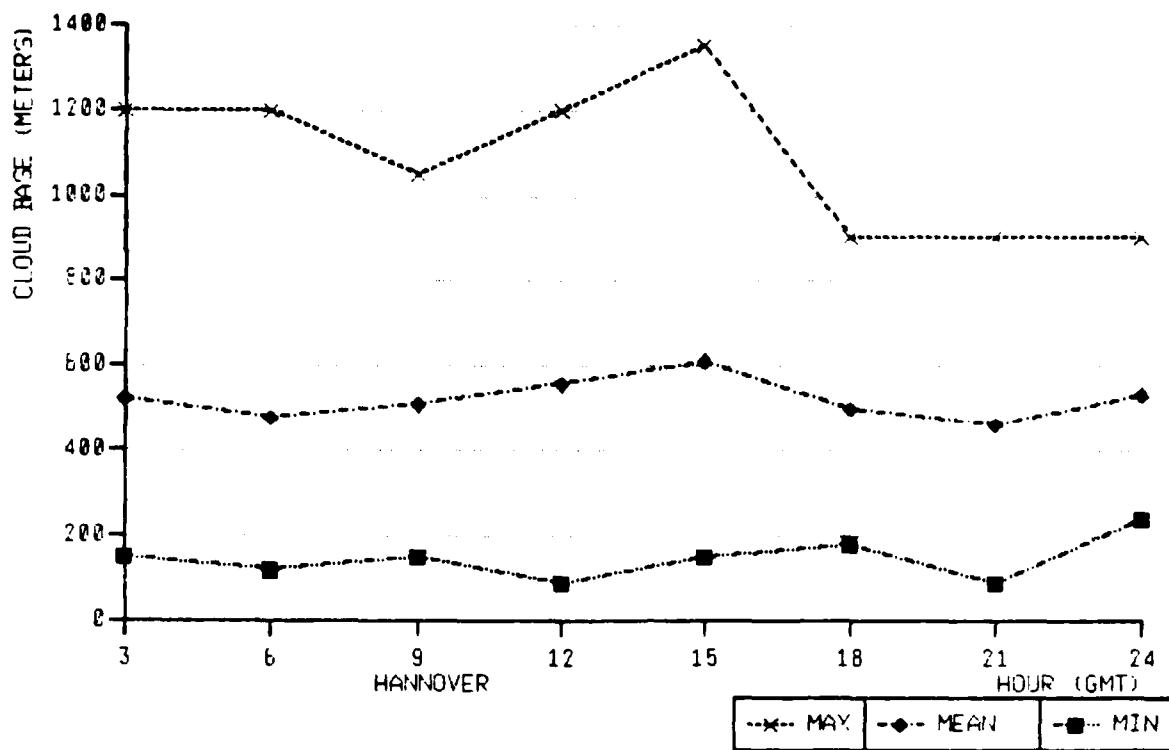


Figure B-29. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Base for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Winter, by Hour.

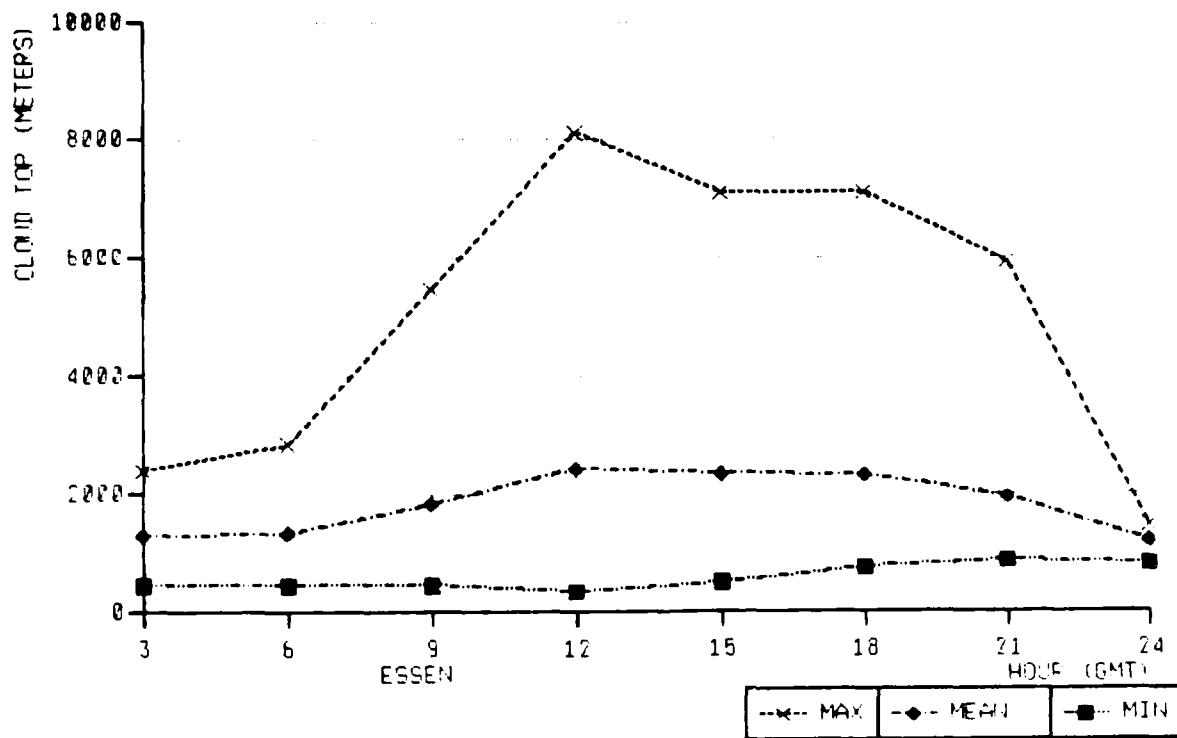


Figure B-30. ESSEN: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Spring, by Hour.

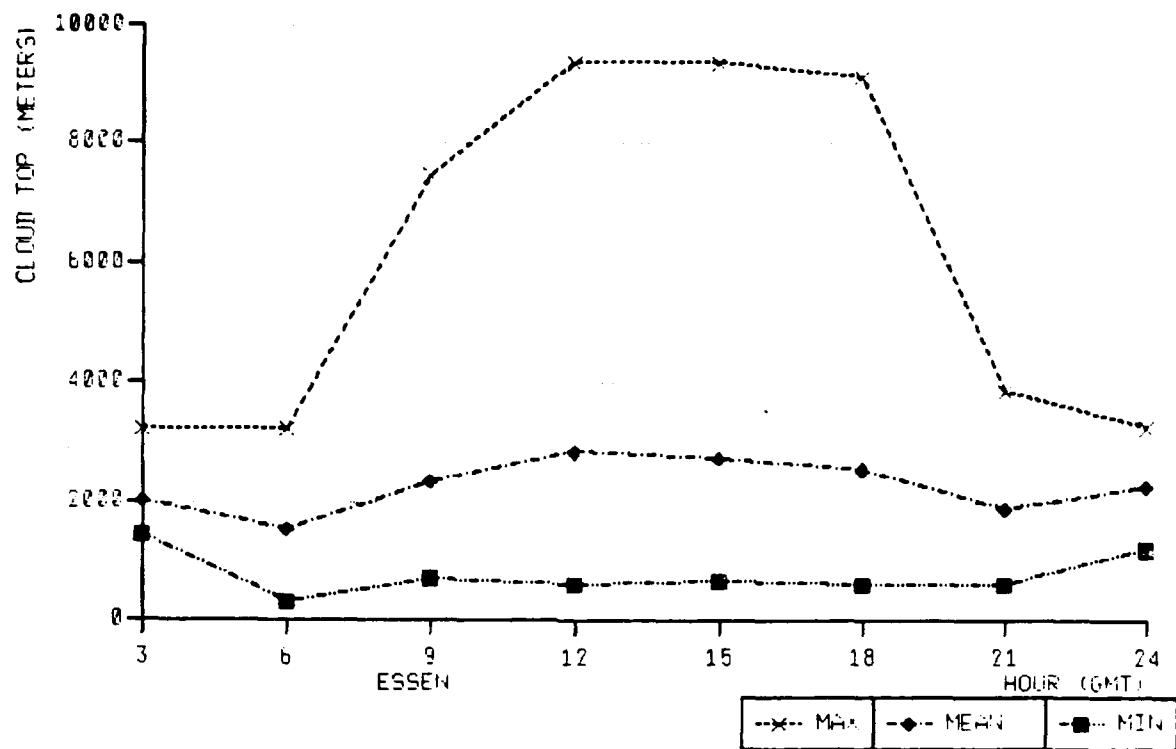


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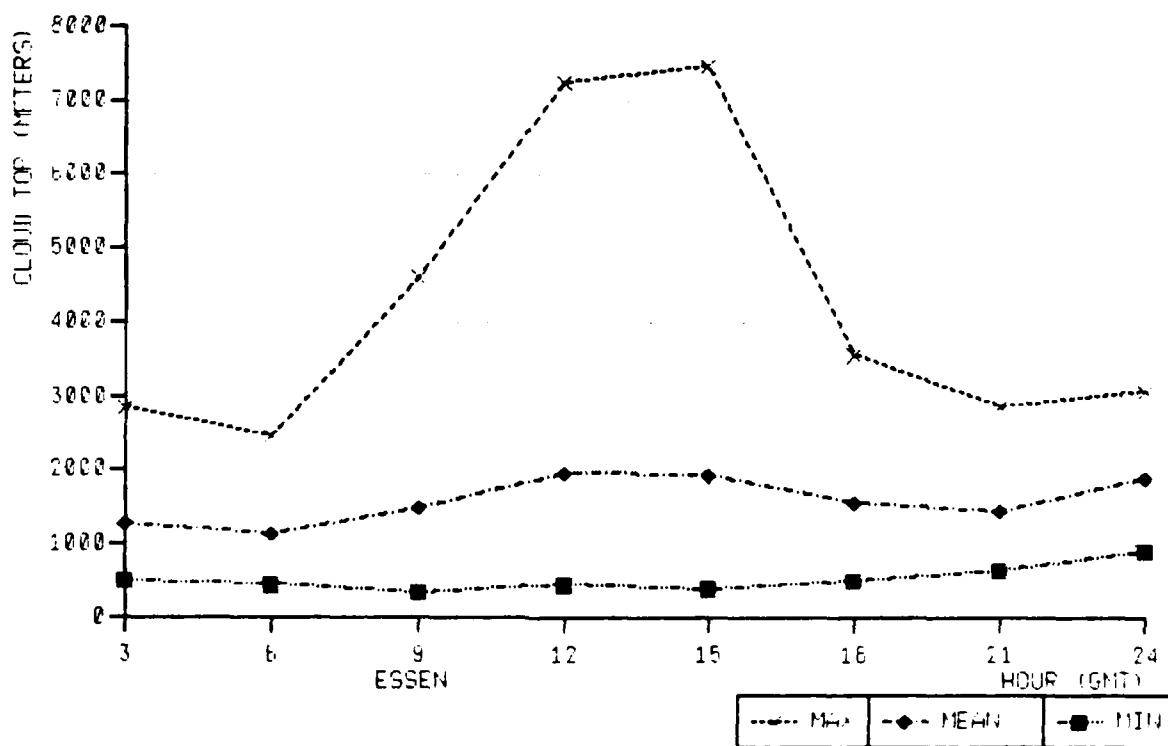


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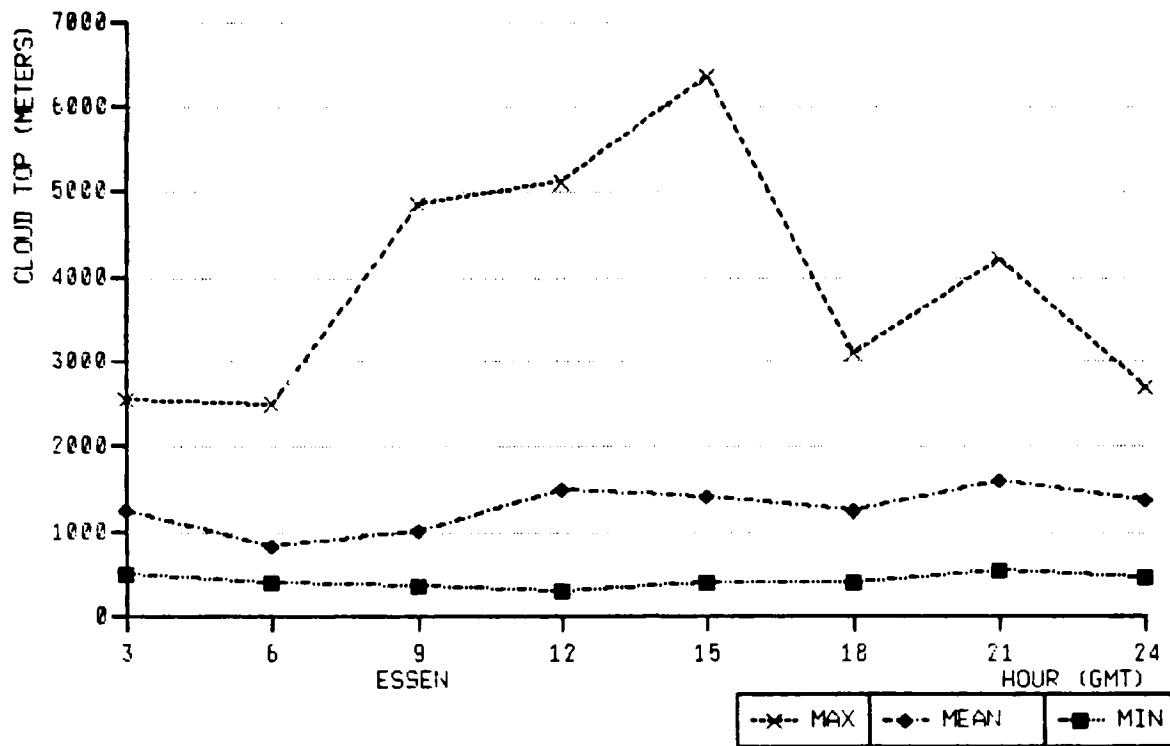


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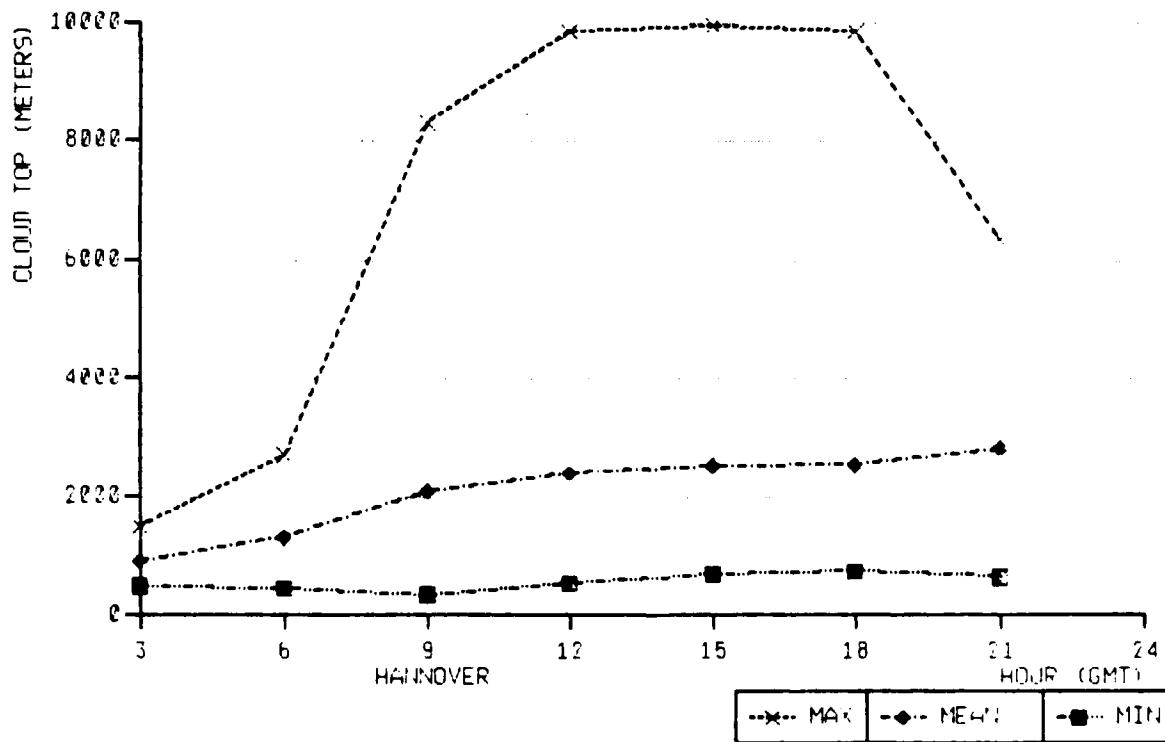


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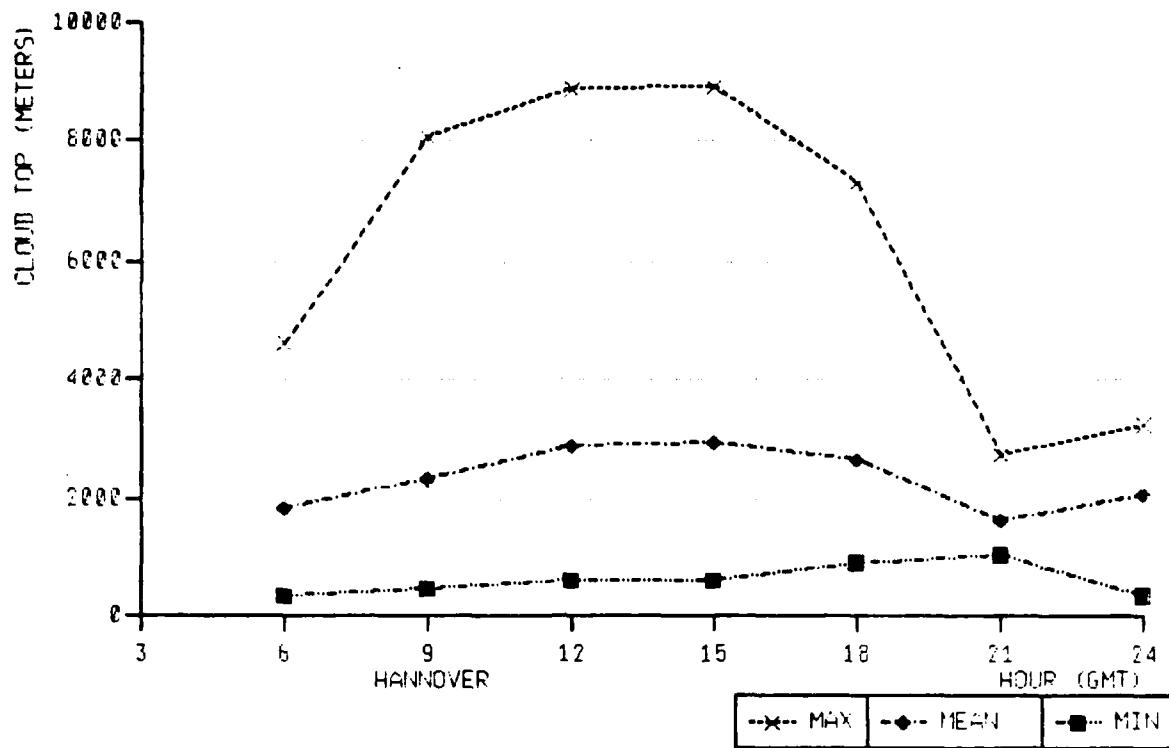


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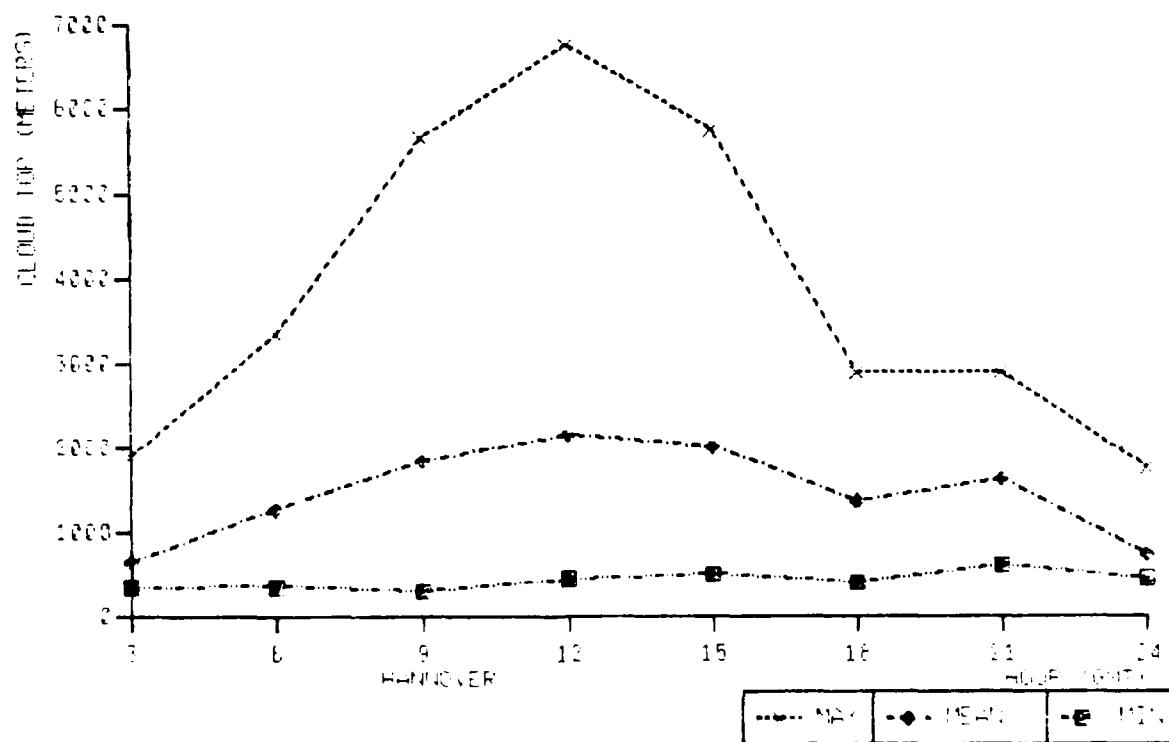


Figure B-36. HANNOVER: Maximum, Minimum, and Mean Cloud Top for Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Fall, by Hour.

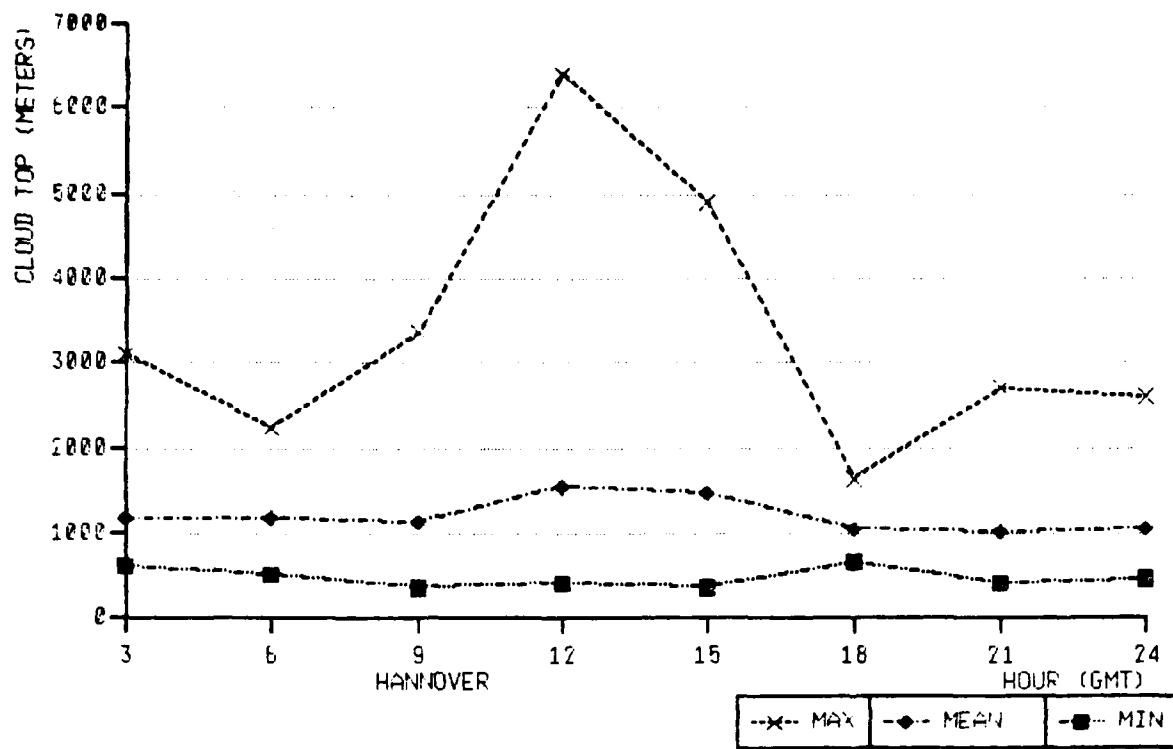


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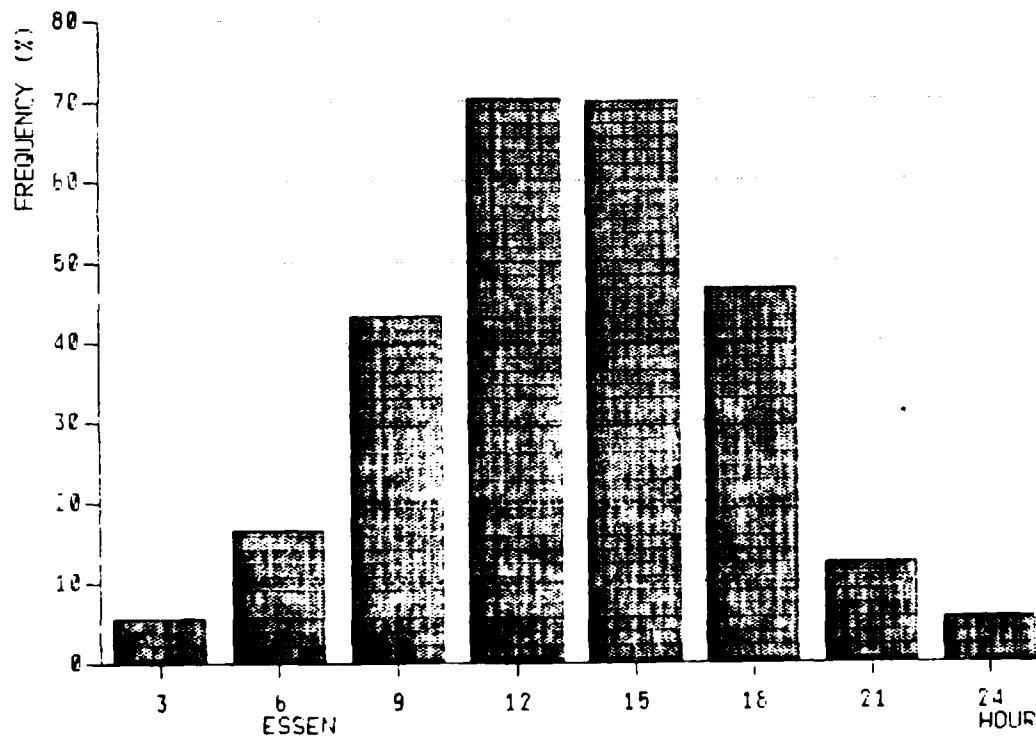


Figure B-38. ESSEN: Frequency of Cumulus Mediocris/Congestus--Spring, by Hour.

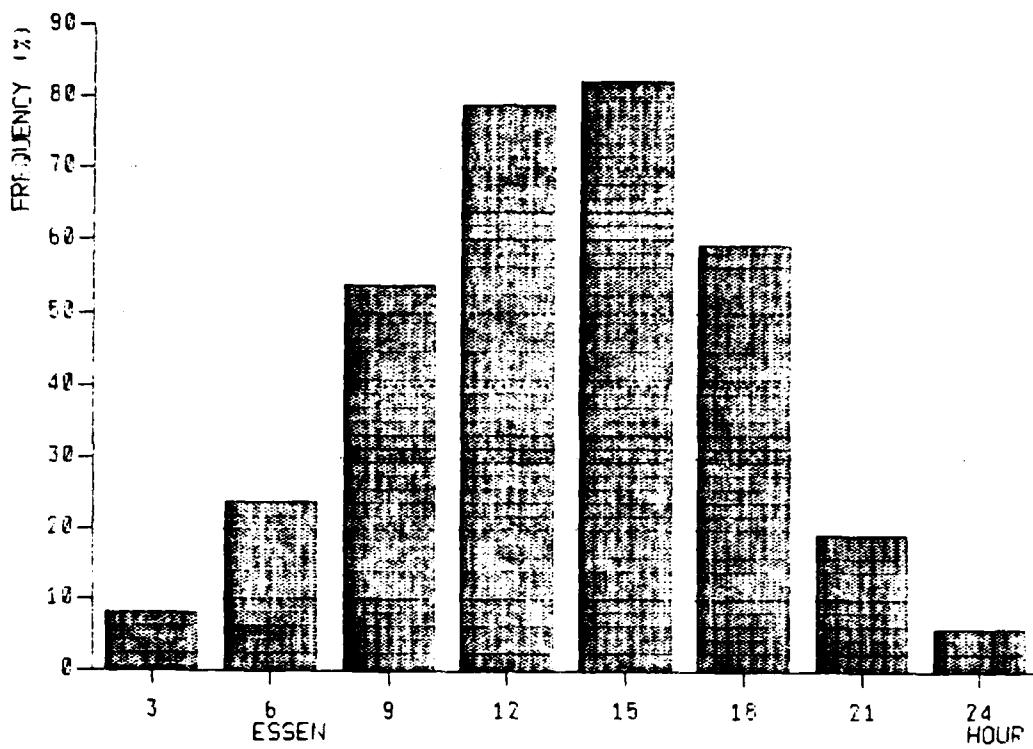


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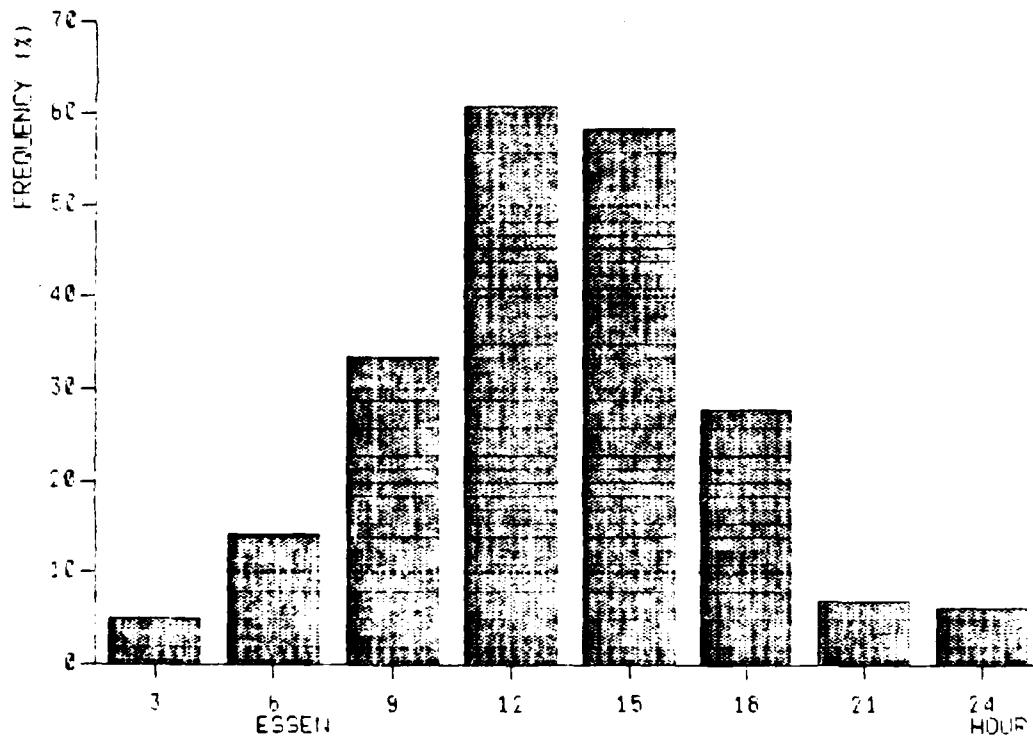


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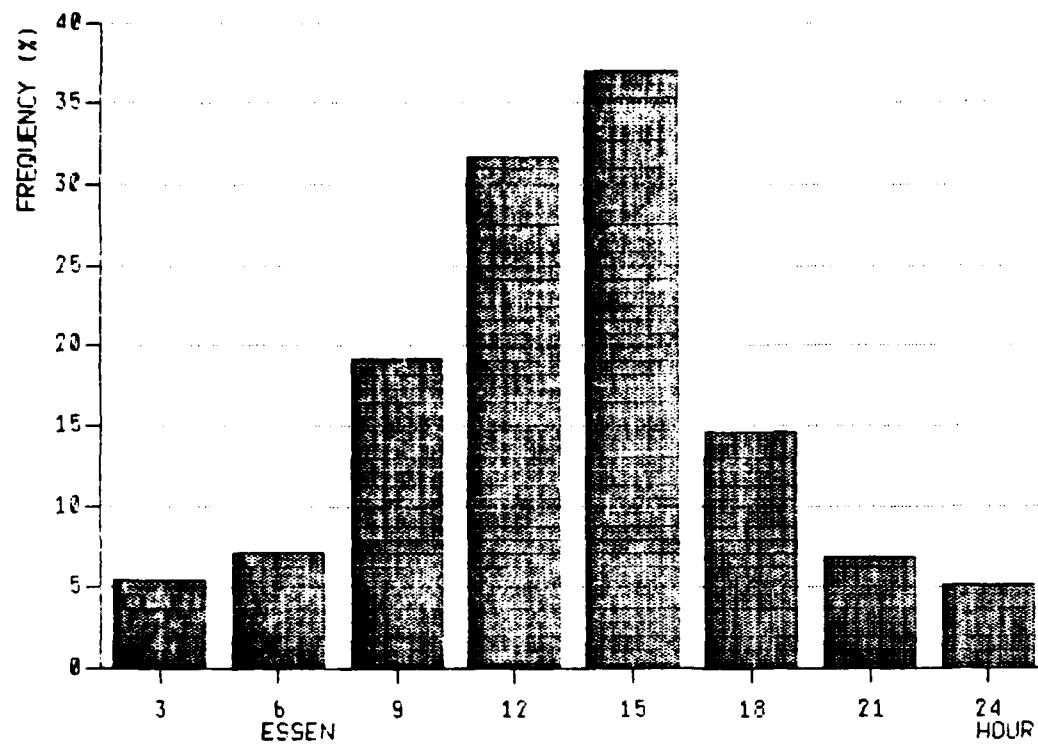


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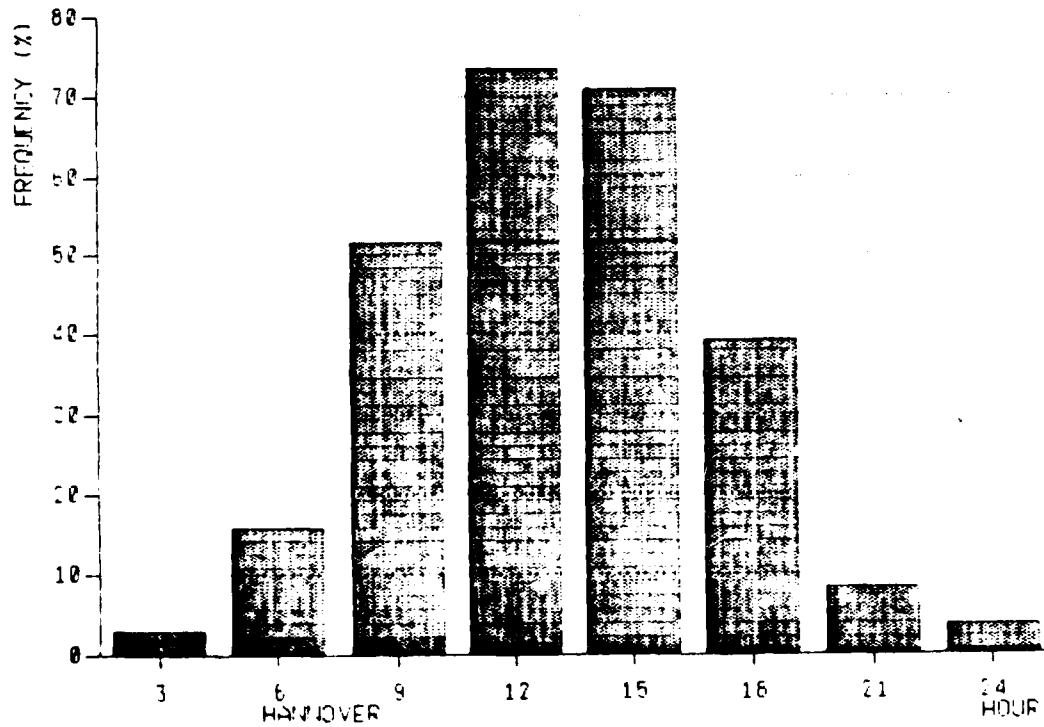


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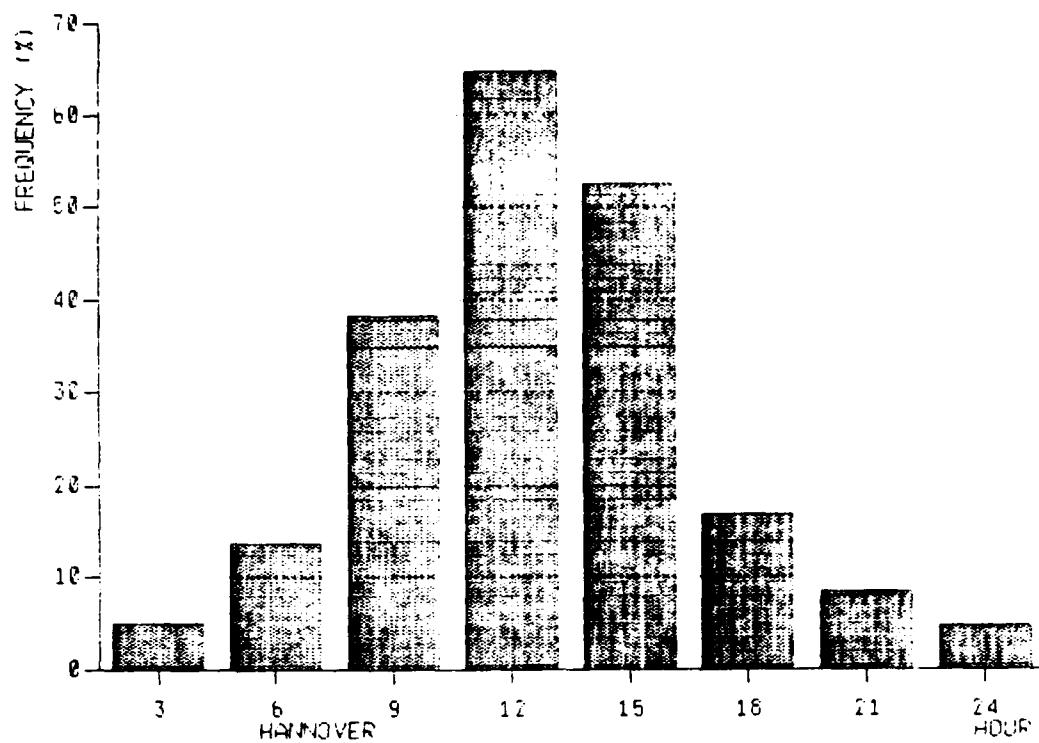


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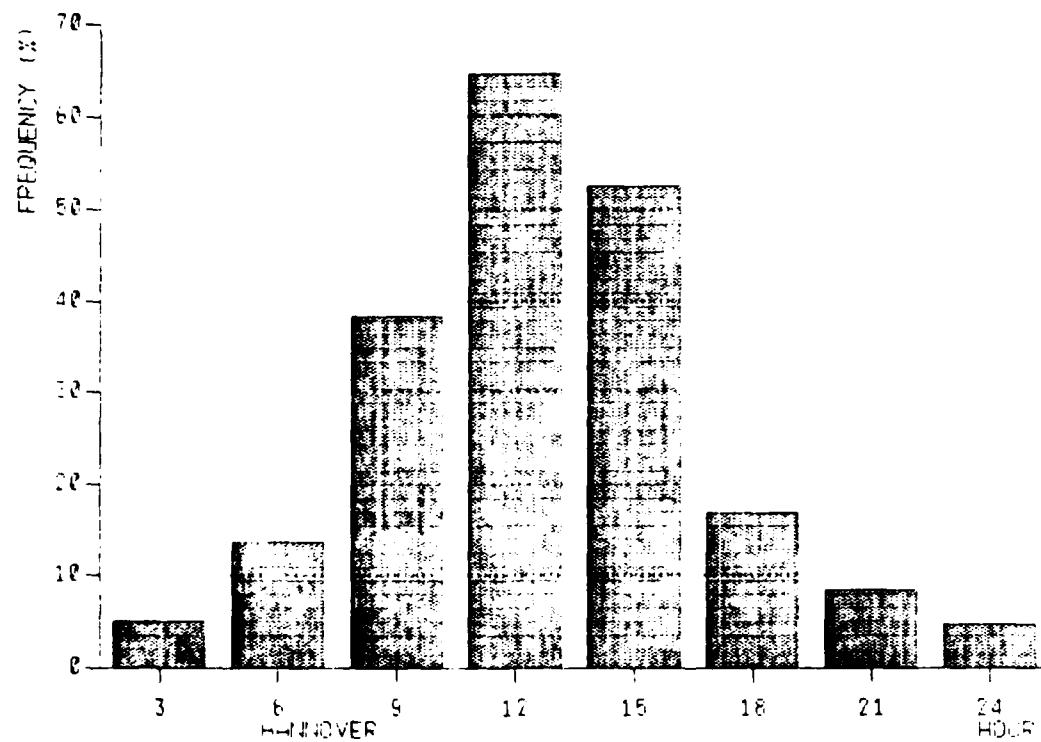


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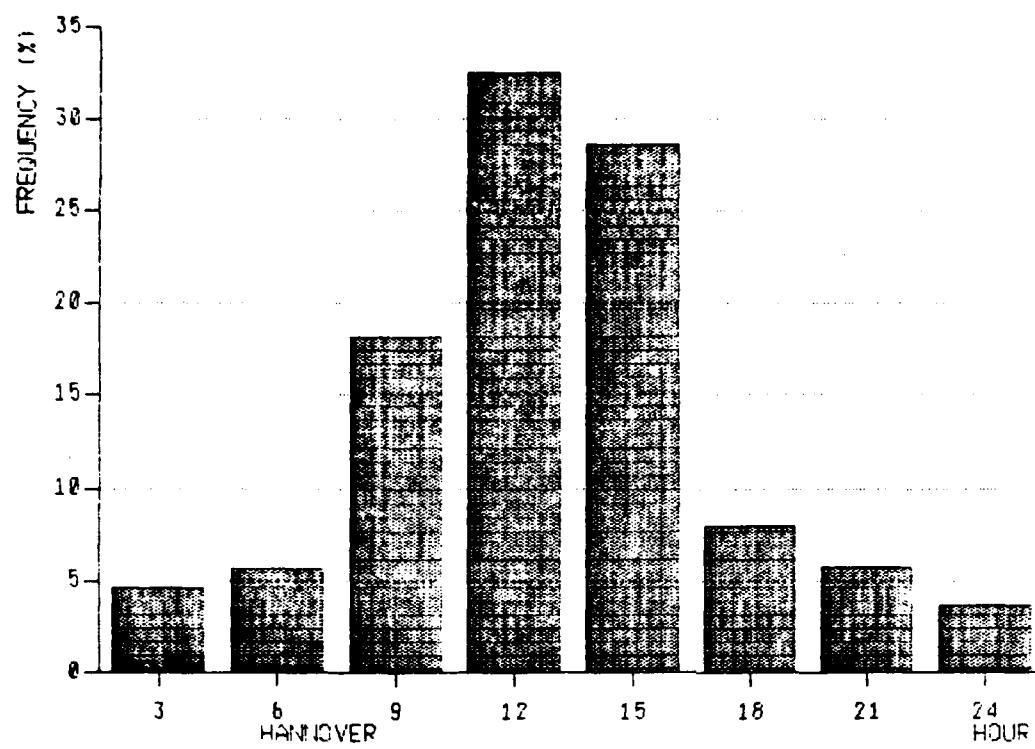
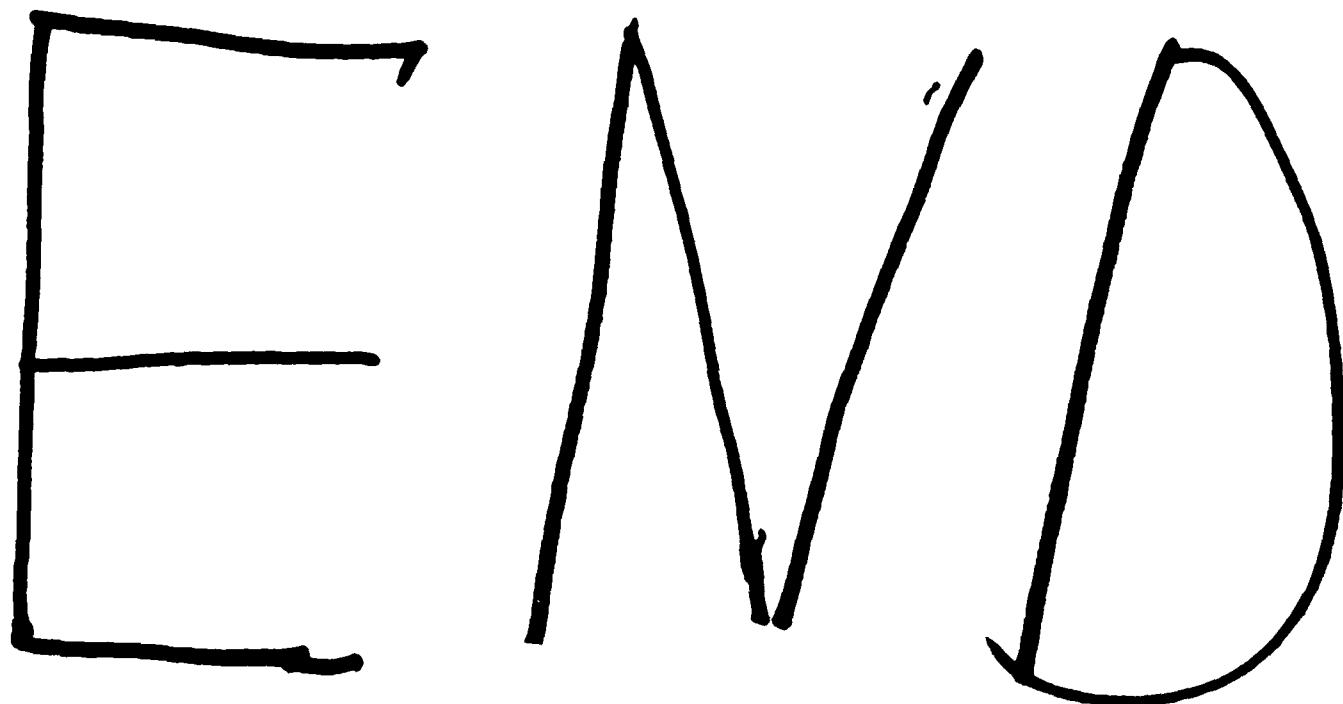


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A hand-drawn sketch in black ink. On the left, there is a large, rounded, teardrop-like shape. To the right of this shape is the word 'Tic' written in a stylized, handwritten font. A small arrow points from the 'i' in 'Tic' to the 'c'.